

NHamp  
F  
44  
- H65  
2011

# TOWN OF HOLDERNESS NEW HAMPSHIRE



Annual Report for  
Year Ending  
December 31, 2011

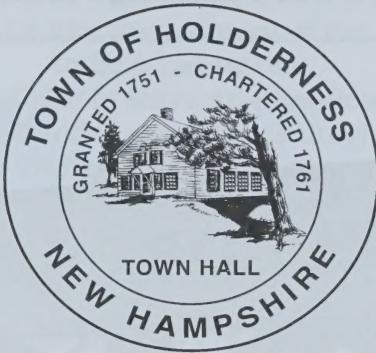
**On the Cover:**

Members of the Mattatuck Fife & Drum Corps of Waterbury, Connecticut marching in the Grand Street Parade that took place on Route 3 from Shepard Hill Road to the

Science Center on Route 113.

**Saturday, August 6, 2011**

*~Photo courtesy of Martha Macomber~*

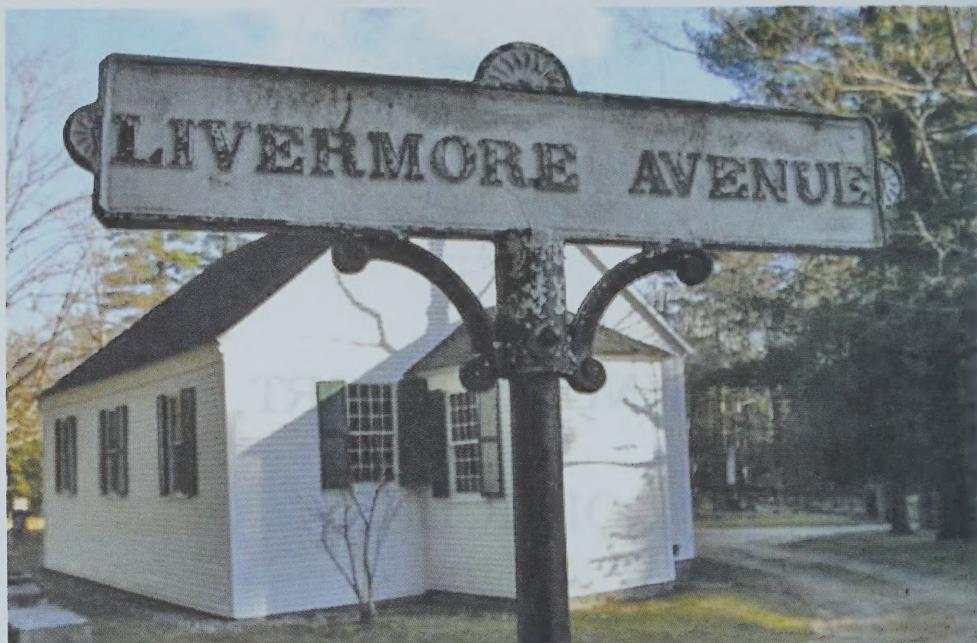


ANNUAL REPORT  
of the  
OFFICERS  
of the  
TOWN OF  
HOLDERNESS  
New Hampshire

Year Ending  
December 31, 2011

**DEDICATION**  
**To Our Founding Fathers**

---



*Trinity Chapel, built in 1797 by Samuel Livermore, this Chapel is one of the oldest surviving Episcopal Churches in NH.*

On the occasion of the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the Town of Holderness, the 2011 Annual Town Report is dedicated to the brave, honest and hard working men, women and children who built the solid foundation on which our community firmly rests today. We also recognize all those leaders, volunteers and citizens who have selflessly served in so many ways to perpetuate this great community over the past 250 years!

## **WE REMEMBER.....**

I'd like the memory of me  
to be a happy one,  
I'd like to leave an afterglow  
of smiles when life is done,  
I'd like to leave an echo  
whispering softly down the ways,  
of happy times and laughing  
times and bright and sunny days.

I'd like the tears of those who  
grieve, to dry before the sun  
of happy memories that I leave when life is done.

*Author Unknown*

## **WITH FOND MEMORIES WE REMEMBER THE CITIZENS WE HAVE LOST THIS YEAR**

Claire Lessard

Gerald Miller Sr.

John Mason

Jeffrey Baker

Michael Morrison

John Webb

Milton Hunkins Jr.

Philip Zimmer

Gail Smith

Howard Parker

Richard Sanderson

Norma Batchelder

Henry Shields Jr.

John Tamke

# TABLE OF CONTENTS

---

Dedication . . . . .	2
Memorial Page . . . . .	3
Town Officers . . . . .	6-7

## Municipal Departments and Committees

Town Administrator . . . . .	8-9
Board of Selectmen . . . . .	10
Beach Report . . . . .	11-12
Compliance Officer . . . . .	13
Conservation Commission . . . . .	14-15
Energy Committee . . . . .	16
Fire Department . . . . .	17-18
Forest Fire Warden . . . . .	19
Library Director . . . . .	20-21
Library Trustees . . . . .	22-23
Minutes of Town Meeting - 2011 . . . . .	24-31
Planning Board . . . . .	32
Police Department . . . . .	33-35
Public Works Department . . . . .	36
Recreation Department . . . . .	37-38
Restoring Merged Lots under HB 316 . . . . .	39
Tax Collector . . . . .	40-42
Tax Rate Calculation . . . . .	43-44
Town Clerk . . . . .	45
Town Equipment Schedule . . . . .	46
Town Property Schedule . . . . .	47
Transfer Station . . . . .	48-49
Treasurer . . . . .	50
Trust Fund & Capital Reserve Funds . . . . .	51-52
Vital Statistics-Birth . . . . .	53
Vital Statistics-Death . . . . .	54-55
Vital Statistics-Marriage . . . . .	56-57
Welfare . . . . .	58
Zoning Board of Adjustment . . . . .	59

## **TABLE OF CONTENTS**

---

### **School Reports**

Officers of the Holderness School District .....	83-84
Holderness Central School Election Warrant .....	85-86
Holderness School Budget 2012-2013.....	87-91
Holderness School District Balance Sheet.....	92
SAU #48 Superintendent's Report.....	93-94
Holderness Central School Nurse's Report .....	95
Holderness Central School Principal's Report .....	96-97
Holderness Central School District Meeting Minutes 2011 .....	98-100
Holderness Central School District Special Ed Expenses .....	101

### **Other Reports**

Auditor's Report .....	103-104
Balance Sheet.....	105
CADY .....	106-107
Executive Councilor.....	108
Genesis Behavioral Health.....	109
Grafton County Senior Citizens' Council .....	110
Holderness 250 <sup>th</sup> Celebration.....	111-112
Holderness Historical Society .....	113-114
Inter-Lakes Day Care Center .....	115
Lakes Region Planning Commission.....	116
LRPC Household Hazardous Waste Report .....	117
Memorial Day Committee .....	118
Northeast Resource Recovery Association .....	119
Pemi-Baker Community Health.....	120
Pemi River Local Advisory Committee.....	121
Squam Lakes Conservation Society.....	122
Squam Lakes Natural Science Center .....	122
State Forest Ranger and Forest Fire Warden.....	124-125
UNH Cooperative Extension .....	126
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT-2012 (gray pages)	
2012/2013 MUNICIPAL BUDGET .....	70-81
SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL CELEBRATION INSERT.....	60-69

## **TOWN OFFICERS**

### **ASSESSORS' AGENT**

Corcoran Consulting Association  
Wil Corcoran

### **FIRE WARDEN**

\* Richard Mardin 2012

### **BOOKKEEPER**

Wendy Huff

### **FIRE WARDS**

\*\* Earl Hansen 2013  
\*\* David Dupuis 2014  
\*\* Randall Eastman 2012

### **BUDGET COMMITTEE**

Lawrence Beeson, Chr.	3/2013
Todd Elgin	3/2014
John Laverack (S.L.)	
Jonathan Stewart (School Board)	
Alden Van Sickle	3/2012

### **HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL BOARD**

** Bonni Acton	3/2012
** Joseph Casey	3/2014
** Martha Macomber	Resigned
** Jennifer Morris	3/2013
** Jonathan Stewart	3/2013

### **CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Christopher Buckley, Alt	3/2012
Janet Cocchiaro	3/2012
Shelagh Connelly, (S.L.)	
Jacqulyn Jewell	3/2014
Anne Packard	3/2014
Larry Spencer, Chrm	3/2012
Betsy Whitmore, V. Chr.	3/2013

### **HOLDERNESS SCHOOL CLERK**

\*\* Sara Weinberg 3/2013

### **HOLDERNESS SCHOOL TREASURER**

\*\* Kathleen Whittemore 3/2014

### **HOLDERNESS SCHOOL MODERATOR**

\*\* Laura Rollison 3/2014

### **LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION**

Robert Snelling  
Todd Elgin

### **LIBRARIAN**

Victoria Lang

### **LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

** Michelle Jenkinson, Co-Chr	3/2012
** Amanda Loud	3/2013
** Carol Snelling, Co-Chr	3/2014
** Thomas "Ted" Vansant	3/2012
** Kathleen Wieliezko	3/2013
Nancy McDonald- Alt.	

### **EMERGENCY MAN. SERVICES**

Earl Hansen-Director	
Scott Fields -Deputy	Resigned
Harry Maybeck-Deputy	Resigned

### **ENERGY COMMITTEE**

Christopher Devine (S.L.)	
Walter Johnson	
Bill Johnstone	
Victoria Lang	
Eleanor Mardin	
Amy Sharpe	
Larry Spencer	
Tom Stepp	

### **MODERATOR**

** Ross V. Deachman	3/2013
<b><u>MUNICIPAL SECRETARY</u></b>	
* Amy Sharpe	

### **FIRE CHIEF**

\* Eleanor Mardin Appt'd



## TOWN ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

---



L-R: Wendy Werner, Wendy Huff, Don Cahoon, Sara Hixon,  
Ellen King, Walter Johnson, and Amy Sharpe

I am pleased to present to you my report as Town Administrator for the year 2011.

2011 was a year of significant events for our community as we dealt with our first major natural emergency in several years, tropical storm Irene, and the celebration of our community's 250<sup>th</sup> birthday!

After more than a year of planning and organizing by many dedicated and hard working volunteers and Select Board members, our community celebrated in grand style 250 years of community. During August 5<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> our quiet little lake community transformed into four days of music, dancing, demonstrations, parades, fireworks, and much more! With ideal weather an exuberant gathering of over 4000 residents and visitors celebrated this historic event in several venues throughout the Town. All the events over the weekend long celebration were well received and attended by many. This was truly a celebration to remember!

Our second significant event of 2011 was the impact of tropical storm Irene that hit our community the weekend of August 27 and 28. Although the majority of our town was spared from major damage from the high winds and heavy rains, the portion of Holderness that borders the Pemigewasset River received significant flood damage and resulted in the evacuation of several homes and businesses for several days. Members of the

Holderness police and fire departments responded to numerous calls over a twenty-four hour period and public safety and security protection as flood waters rose and receded over fifteen feet above flood stage! Fortunately most residential properties received only minor damage while some of the businesses didn't fare as well. Most importantly there were no injuries or loss of life to anyone in the affected areas. Our hats are off to all of the police, fire department members, and emergency management folks and to the volunteers of the area Red Cross for all their efforts during this critical event.

As administrator I've continued to work closely with the members of the Select Board, town department heads and staff to improve the function and efficiency of our local government to deliver quality services to Holderness taxpayers and residents.

Looking forward to 2012, my priorities include; concluding successful negotiations of a new cable television franchise agreement, implementing a digitized town record archiving program, improving our staff performance evaluation process, and evaluating options for a wastewater collection system for some of the lake areas of our community.

As in past years I am pleased to report our managers and staff continue to make excellent progress in improving our service to you in the most efficient manner possible in these difficult economic times. I would especially like to thank the members of the Board of Selectmen, the Town office staff, the department heads and all of our employees for their support, cooperation and the excellent work they provide for the citizens of Holderness.

My door is always open to all and I encourage you to stop in the Town office, or contact me by phone or e-mail with any comments, suggestions and/or concerns you may have about your local government.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter P. Johnson  
Town Administrator

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN



*L-R: Woodie Laverack, Christopher Devine, Peter Webster,  
Shelagh Connelly, and Jill White*

Most of the year was spent in preparation of our 250<sup>th</sup> celebration (1761 – 2011) of township. On Aug. 6<sup>th</sup> the streets of Holderness were lined with over 4000 people enjoying not only the beautiful weather, but the return of the Mattatuck Drum Band which led the Boat Parade through the channel. (The same band led the parade during our 200<sup>th</sup> celebration.) The Street Parade was comprised of representation from our earliest occupants, the Abanaki Nation; antique vehicles; themed floats and costumed residents honoring our wonderful heritage. Curry Place was transformed into a marketplace of local artisans with an emphasis on the earlier craft and tool skills. A commemorative pillar and stone wall was built by King Stone Masonry and remains in front of the Historical Society as a testament to this semiquincentennial celebration. The weekend was capped off by an outstanding display of fireworks.

Hurricane Irene brought the Pemigewasset River to its highest flood stage, 22 feet, since 1987. Our Emergency Team, lead by Eleanor Mardin, did a fantastic job of controlling the situation, getting residents out of their homes safely, no injuries, and returned when the scene was safe.

The year closed without incident thanks to our dedicated employees and the selfless volunteers who make up our committees and boards.

## HOLDERNESS BEACH REPORT

---

The Holderness Recreation Board and the Recreation Department oversee the Town Beach. The property is actually owned by the Squam Lakes Conservation Society. The primary function of the beach is to offer the residents and tax payers of Holderness an area for recreational swimming on Squam Lake and is staffed by attendants from mid June – Labor Day. Amenities at the beach include a portable toilet, changing shed, picnic tables, a swing set, a swim raft and a landline phone for emergency calls.

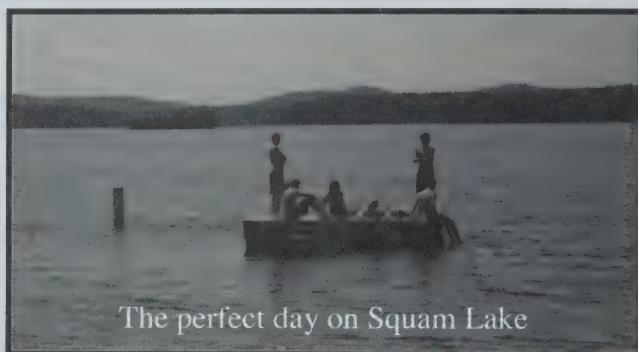
The 2011 season was a pretty nice one. We had two new beach attendants who had responsibility for greeting patrons, maintaining the beach and keeping things in order so that patrons could relax and enjoy their days at the beach. There were 215 beach passes sold last season. We had 80 beach days and only 3 were full days of rain.

According to our attendants' notes, our busiest day had over 60 people and our lowest was 0 people, which occurred several times in July and once in August. There were very few rule breaking incidents this summer which makes a better environment for everyone using the beach. I think the only reminder that needs to be mentioned is that there is no boating allowed into or away from the Town Beach. For safety reasons we do not allow boats to anchor and let people swim into the beach; in addition we need to respect the privacy of our neighbors' properties and docks.



The Livermore Beach is a cherished asset that we are blessed to have in Holderness. It is small, quaint and one of our best kept secrets. Beach passes for the 2012 season are now available at the Town Clerk's office.

We would like to thank the following departments and individuals for their continued support of the town beach; the Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator, Town Hall Staff, Public Works Department and Police Department for keeping a watchful eye on this property. Last but certainly not least, a big thank you to Biff Sutcliffe and Tom Stepp for their consistent help with getting the beach up and running and closing it down in the fall.



We are all hoping for a nice sunny summer on Squam Lake next year and hope to see you at the beach!

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Werner (Recreation Director)  
Tom Stepp (Chairperson)  
George 'Biff' Sutcliffe (Secretary)  
Shelly Swanson  
Janis Messier  
Molly Whitcomb  
Meika Carter  
Woody Laverack (Selectman Liaison)

## **COMPLIANCE OFFICE**

---

As I write this report it is January 12, 2012, it was just one year ago that I started working, on Thursdays, in Holderness in a cooperative effort with the Town of Moultonborough. It has been a challenging year, learning a new Zoning Ordinance and set of procedures that are so different then those I do the other four days a week in Moultonborough.

It has been a pleasure to work with the staff, Selectmen and townspeople of Holderness and I look forward to another year of the same. As the Compliance Officer I help with the review of Planning and Zoning Board applications, septic system designs and building permits.

It was disappointing to have to delve into the requirements of the flood plain ordinance for the first time in my career, due to tropical storm Irene. In my thirteen years in Moultonborough I have not had to deal with such a catastrophe and I hope it is something that we can all avoid for a long time to come.

The following is a list of the building permit activity for this year and amounts to a 23% increase over 2010 permitting.

<b>Permits</b>	<b># Issued</b>	<b>Permits</b>	<b># Issued</b>
Septic Designs	28	Houses	3
Alterations	22	Decks	11
Garages	10	Additions	5
Solar Panels	7	Demolitions	6
New Roofs	2	Sheds	2
Fire Damage	1	Generators	1
Barns	1	Pool	1
Cabin	1	Tennis Court	1
Signs	1	Fence	1
<b>Total Permits: 104</b>			

Respectfully,  
Donald E. Cahoon  
Compliance Officer

## **CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

---

The Commission, with the assistance of the Selectboard, hopes to finalize a survey of the Town Forest property to clearly define and protect the Town Forest. Work will continue into 2012 to negotiate access to Town properties for Holderness Central School students. The members have updated the trail brochures which show the location of hiking trails on town properties; they are available on the Town web site and at Town Hall. And as always, the Commission continues to work on identifying and acquiring properties and/or easements to protect open space within Holderness. This year the Commission has been working with the Squam Lakes Conservation Society to investigate possible easements on properties near or adjacent to the Pilote Forest.

This summer, the Commission participated in the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Town and sponsored a hike to the Town Farm Property to see the cellar hole and barn foundation. The Chair acted as the web master for the 250<sup>th</sup> website.

The Commission continues to update its data base of vernal pools, which is defined as a temporary pool of surface water that provides breeding habitat for certain amphibian and invertebrate species. If you are aware of a pool on your property, the Commission would appreciate hearing from you.

Commission members continue to take advantage of training opportunities offered through workshops and conferences to learn the latest conservation regulations and new conservation techniques as well as advancing an understanding of environmental matters.

Members of the Conservation Commission monitor all Town properties and easements annually to review the boundaries and determine that no encroachments or unauthorized activities have taken place. A Town owned property at the corner of Smith & Sargent Roads has been added to the conservation monitoring list. A full description of these properties, and other conservation information, may be found on the Town web site.

It is the mission of the Holderness Conservation Commission to care for the conservation properties owned by the Town of

Holderness, to be strong advocates for good conservation practices in the Town, to protect the Town's wetlands from being degraded, to be the local agent for wetland permits and other matters under the auspices of the NH Department of Environmental Services (NHDES), and to educate the residents of the town and region about suitable conservation practices.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher Buckley (alternate), Janet Cocchiaro, Shelagh Connelly (Selectperson liaison), Jacquelyn Jewell, Anne Packard, Larry Spencer, and Betsy Whitmore



Enjoy the natural beauty of Little Squam Lake.

*Photo courtesy of Martha Macomber*

## **ENERGY COMMITTEE**

---

Established in 2007 to recommend to the Board of Selectmen steps town government can take to save energy and reduce emissions, the Holderness Energy Committee (HEC) has met twice in 2011 to discuss a number of energy related topics including efforts to reduce energy usage by town government.

With many of the major energy improvements to town buildings completed in 2010, the committee is now focusing on how the Town might utilize new alternative energy technologies in town buildings and operations. One project being investigated is the installation of a solar voltaic energy system for the public safety building that would generate electricity for the facility and sell back any excess energy to NH Electric Cooperative. Also being implemented in 2012, as a result of changes in the auto industry, is a change to more fuel efficient police cruisers by Ford.

Looking forward to 2012, the HEC is planning to continue reviewing operational procedures with the Selectmen and Town department heads to see if any improvements can be made in department methods of operations to reduce energy use in all Town buildings and equipment. The HEC will continue to monitor Town energy expenditures and energy price forecasts during the coming year. The HEC is also evaluating options to purchase electricity from alternative sources, purchasing fleet fuels and heating fuels through aggregation with other government entities including the State of New Hampshire as an opportunity to reduce the Town's future energy costs further.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Holderness Energy Committee

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS:** Larry Spencer, Walter Johnson, Eleanor Mardin, Bill Johnstone, Wil Abbott, Don Cahoon, Dave Horton, Victoria Lang, Amy Sharpe, Tom Stepp and Chris Devine, S.L.

New members are always welcome. If you would like to join the HEC please contact the Town Office.

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

---

This year has been very active for the Fire Department. Our call base has increased by 56 calls over last year. Between June first and December first we had 191 calls. One of the structure fires we had this year was in February, the coldest day of the year, and the other structure fire was in July, on one of the hottest days of the year. Our longest call occurred in August, flooding caused by Hurricane Irene.

Four of our Firefighters have finished and passed their Firefighter 1 class. Two more are presently enrolled in a Firefighter 1 class and are almost finished. There are two members just finishing an EMTI class and should be testing by January. Our Swift-Water Rescue Team trains every four months and members are very proficient in their rescue skills.

Remember if you use wood to heat with, always put your ashes in a metal bucket and place them outside away from all flammable materials. There has been a lot of building fires and deaths due to improper disposal of ashes. Even if your stove has been out for days the ashes still carry hot embers.

A special thanks to the NH Masonic Charities, Mt. Prospect Lodge #69 Holderness and Squam Boats for their donations to our Operation Santa Fund.

If I or any member of the Holderness Fire Department can be of assistance please do not hesitate to ask us.

Stay safe,

Eleanor Mardin  
Fire Chief

## HOLDERNESS FIRE DEPARTMENT CALLS FOR 2011

Alarms.....	73
Chimney.....	2
False Calls.....	1
Floods.....	2
Furnace Problems.....	2
Haz-Mat.....	2
Medical.....	143
Motor Vehicle Crashes.....	31
Mutual Aid.....	34
Power Lines.....	11
Rescue.....	7
Service.....	6
Smoke Investigations.....	8
Structure.....	2
Vehicle Fires.....	3
Other.....	10

**TOTAL CALLS 337**



*Fire Engine #1*

## **FOREST FIRE WARDENS REPORT**

---

This was an easy fire season for the Town of Holderness; we had no reported wildland fires. However, we did have (5) smoke investigation and (1) assistance call to the Town of Ashland. We did issue one warning for burning material that is not allowed, and one summons to another person for burning material related to building construction debris, the fine was for a sum of \$120.00.



*Fire Department Field Training Exercise on NH Route 175.*

This season the Town Hall, Fire Station and Fire Warden issued three hundred and fifty fire permits for seasonal permits and for the daily burning of brush.

Permits can be obtained at the Fire Station 968-4491, the Town Hall 968-3537, and the Fire Warden at 536-3391.

Remember, any outside fire requires a fire permit as does an open cooking fire.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Mardin,  
Fire Warden

**The State of the Holderness Library**  
**Budget Year July 2010 thru June 30 2011**  
**by Director of the Holderness Library**  
**Victoria A. Lang**

Library Hours: Monday 9AM to 6PM, Tuesday 8AM to 4PM, Friday 9AM to 5 PM, Saturday 8 AM to 12 PM.



*Library Staff L-R: Kelly Schwaner, Jeanne Perkins, and Victoria Lang*

I would like to take this time to bring you all up to speed on the happenings and statistics from the past budget season.

Number of Story Times	42	Attendees	557
Blue Heron Preschool	6	Attendees	84
Number of Programs	12	Attendees	204
Bridge Group	52	Attendees	624
Mahjong Group	13	Attendees	39
Book Discussions	12	Attendees	58
Stitch and Chat	47	Attendees	171
New Patrons	146		
New Computer Users	191		

-Hosted a Scrooge and Marley Library Coop Meeting in December, 18 Librarians attended.

-Victoria and Kelly attended 76 hours of continuing education classes.

-Partnered with Holderness Central School's 4<sup>th</sup> grade class to plant flowers around the Honor Roll attended by 33 children.

- Partnered with the Holderness Recreation Department and Squam Lakes Science Center for the StoryWalk Project attended by hundreds of families over the months of July and August.
- Partnered with the Holderness Historical Society to bring 7 New Hampshire Humanities Programs to Holderness attended by over 200 people.
- Circulated 8,827 items in our collection.
- Added 72 new Audio CD Books to our Collection at an average cost of \$39 each.
- Added 461 new Books to our Collection at an average cost of \$21 each.
- Added 61 Educational and Recreational DVD Movies to the Collection at an average cost of \$11 each.
- Adult Foot Traffic 7,232.
- Children's Foot Traffic (not going to storytimes) 1,345.

With Grant monies received we were able to historically restore our beautiful 100 year old plaster ceiling in the main part of the Library and install new energy efficient Ceiling Fans and Lighting. We had a **wonderful** 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday party in July attended by over 100 people!

In conclusion I would like to thank the taxpayers of the Town of Holderness for their continued support of the Holderness Library. In the coming year my Trustees, employees and I hope to continue the momentum of connecting the community to materials to educate and events to inform them.

If at any time you would like to contact us or stop by:  
Holderness Library, 866 U.S. Rt. 3, PO Box L, Holderness, NH  
03245, 603-968-7066, [holdernesslibrary@roadrunner.com](mailto:holdernesslibrary@roadrunner.com),  
website: [holdernesslibrary.org](http://holdernesslibrary.org)

## **LIBRARY TRUSTEES REPORT**

---

The Holderness Library continues to work towards fulfilling its mission statement, "To create a vibrant place where people can connect." During 2011 we completed projects that enhanced the library and preserved its history. With a grant from the NH Society for Preservation we were able to remove the dropped ceiling and restore the original domed plastered ceiling which dates back to 1911. We then added new insulation above the restored ceiling, and completed air-sealing measures throughout the library to increase comfort and save energy. The new ceiling fans, light fixtures, and energy efficiency measures have made the library a vibrant and comfortable place to read and connect with the community.



*L-R: Carol Snelling, Amanda Loud, Thomas "Ted" Vansant, Kathleen Wieliczko, and Michelle Jenkinson.*

This past year we celebrated our 100<sup>th</sup> year as the Holderness Library. We had a successful Centennial Celebration in July 2011. The trustees and library staff hosted an open house at the library and were visited by many supportive community members. It was a wonderful opportunity to share the history of our library and to thank the Holderness Community for their continuous support.

We continue to offer monthly library programs for the Holderness Community. We invite you to participate in these programs, and your ideas for programming are always welcome. Our website continues to be a helpful resource for the community. We invite

you to visit [www.holdernesslibrary.org](http://www.holdernesslibrary.org) to check on book availability and future programs.

The Holderness Library was visited by the Deputy Director of the Botswana National Library Service, Mrs. Gaorere Kgotla in the summer of 2011. Bob and Sara Rothschild had been working with our Library Director, Victoria Lang, for the last two years to organize an exchange of librarians between the two countries. During her visit, Mrs. Kgotla spent two weeks in Holderness, and Victoria hosted visits to libraries in Plymouth, Portsmouth, Hanover, Concord, and Boston.

Along with Mrs. Kgotla's visit, the Holderness Library was honored with a visit from the US Ambassador to Botswana, Steve Nolan, and his wife Judy, who attended a community reception at the Holderness Library given in Gaorere Kgotla's honor. Our Library Director is looking forward to visiting Botswana in March of 2012. In the year 2011 we are most thankful for the hard work and vision of our Library Director, Victoria Lang, and her dedicated staff. We appreciate the collaboration and support of our Selectmen and the residents of Holderness. We continue to grow with the generous support of our patrons and Friends of the Library.

Holderness Library Trustees,

Michelle Jenkinson, Amanda Loud, Carol Snelling, Ted Vansant, Kathy Wieliczko, Nancy McDonald, alternate



*Holderness Library Celebrating 100 Years*

**TOWN OF HOLDERNESS**  
**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING-MINUTES**  
**MARCH 8 & 9, 2011**

---

At the annual Town Meeting of the Town of Holderness held on March 8 and 9, 2011 the following business was transacted.

At 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at the Holderness Town Hall, Moderator Ross Deachman declared the polls opened. At 7:00 p.m., Moderator Ross Deachman declared the polls closed and the ballots counted. Results were announced and the Moderator declared the winners.

At 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 9, 2011 at Holderness Central School the Meeting resumed following the Holderness Central School District Meeting. Moderator Ross Deachman announced the results of Article 1 and declared the winners. The Moderator declared that Article 2 (the Zoning Amendments) had all passed. Moderator Deachman announced the Holderness Central School and Pemi-Baker District results. Moderator Deachman asked for a motion that we dispense with the reading of the remainder of the Warrant and take the articles up one at a time as they appear in the Warrant. Moved by Malcolm "Tink" Taylor and seconded by Peg Winton. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed.

**Article 1:** To choose all Town Officers by official ballot:

**Selectmen for 3 years:(Vote for two)**

Jill Mudgett White	195
Christopher Devine	165
Shane Sirles	71

**Moderator for 2 years: (Vote for one)**

Ross Deachman	224
---------------	-----

**Town Clerk for 3 years: (Vote for one)**

Ellen King	240
------------	-----

**Trustee of Trust Funds for 3 years: (Vote for one)**

Maurice Lafreniere	230
--------------------	-----

**Library Trustee for 3 years: (Vote for one)**

Carol A. Snelling	228
-------------------	-----

**Fire Ward for 3 years: (Vote for one)**

David Dupuis	227
--------------	-----

**Article 2:** 2011 Proposed Zoning Ordinance Changes  
(Recommended by the Planning Board)

**1.** “Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Article 300.2 – Zoning Map to clarify the location of the map?”

**Yes 203      No 31**

**2.** “Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Article 400.8.1 – to clarify the measurement of the setback from roads?”

**Yes 198      No 37**

**3.** “Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No.3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Article 400.8.1.1 – to clarify the building setback measurement from side or back property lines?”

**Yes 195      No 40**

**4.** “Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No.4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Article 400.8.1.2 – regarding the building and well setback measurement and regulation from water or wetlands?”

**Yes 194      No 40**

**5.** “Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No.5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Delete Article 400.8.3 – duplicate language?”

**Yes 202      No 31**

**6.** “Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No.6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Article 1000.2.3 – to clarify the requirements of a septic site assessment?”

**Yes 201      No 35**

7. "Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No.7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Article 700 – to clarify regulations regarding expansion of non-conforming uses, structures, and lots?"

**Yes 189      No 42**

8. "Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No.8 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Add and Amend Article 1300. Definitions – to add, amend, or delete definitions for the following terms: Accessory Structure, Building, Building Footprint, Commercial, Commercial Services, Consumer Services, Dwelling Unit, Home Occupation, Impervious Area or Surface, Living Space, Non-conforming Lot, Non-conforming Use or Structure, Structure, and Wetlands?"

**Yes 183      No 47**

**CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ELECTION RESULTS**

**School Board Member for 3 years:(Vote for one)**  
Joseph E. Casey                  217

**School District Treasurer for 3 years: (Vote for one)**  
Kathleen S. Whittemore    218

**School District Moderator for 3 years: (Vote for one)**  
Laura Rollison                  209

**HOLDERNESS ELECTION RESULTS  
PEMI-BAKER REGIONAL SCHOOL  
DISTRICT  
ELECTION RESULTS**

**School Board Member for 3 years:(Vote for one)**  
**From Campton**  
Peter Milton Pettingill       187

**School Board Member for 3 years:(Vote for one)**  
**From Holderness**  
Ross V. Deachman               223

**School Board Member for 3 years:(Vote for one)**  
**From Plymouth**

Kathleen E. Ringlein    176

**School Board Member for 3 years:(Vote for one)**  
**From Rumney**

Edward F. Gaiero, Jr.    168

**HOLDERNESS ELECTION RESULTS**

**PEMI-BAKER REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT-WARRANT ARTICLES**

**Article 1:** To see if the School District will vote to authorize the School Board to negotiate and execute such tuition contracts as the Board may determine advisable for students inside or outside the Pemi-Baker Regional School District. The School Board recommends this article. (Majority vote required.)

Yes    204                  No    33

**Article 2:** To see if the School District will vote to establish a contingency fund in accordance with Revised Statutes Annotated 198:4-b, such contingency fund to meet the cost of unanticipated expenses that may arise during the year and, further, to see if the District will raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for such contingency fund. The School Board recommends this article. (Majority vote required.)

Yes    181                  No    54

**Article 3:** To see if the School District will vote to approve the cost items included in a collective bargaining agreement reached between the School Board and the Plymouth Regional Educational Association, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Estimated Increase</u>
2011 – 2012	\$109,987

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred nine thousand nine hundred eighty-seven dollars (\$109,987) for the 2011 – 2012 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels in accordance with the most recent collective bargaining agreement. The School Board recommends this article. (Majority vote required.)

Yes    143                  No    91

**Article 4:** To see if the School District will vote to authorize and empower the School Board to borrow up to one hundred four thousand dollars (\$104,000) representing a portion of the State of New Hampshire's share of special education costs for the 2011 – 2012 school year, pursuant to RSA 198: 20-d upon such terms and conditions as the School Board determines in the best interests of the District; said sum together with the costs of borrowing to be repaid by the State of New Hampshire pursuant to RSA 198: 20-d; or to take any action in relation thereto. The School Board recommends this article. (Majority vote required.)

Yes 173

No 62

**Article 5:** To see if the Pemi-Baker Regional School District will vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session (deliberative session) for the purposes set forth therein, totaling twelve million four hundred sixty-eight thousand eight hundred fifty-nine dollars (12,468,859).

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be twelve million five hundred nine thousand four hundred seventy-seven dollars (\$12,509,477), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Pemi-Baker Regional School District; or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. This sum excludes the sums in Warrant Articles 2 and 3. The School Board recommends this article. (Majority vote required.)

Yes 180

No 56

**Article 3:** To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of all Town Officers and Committees.

Moved by Andy Hancock and seconded by Nancy Ruhm.

Alden Van Sickle questioned if the 2004 Peterbilt truck had a plow, relating to the schedule of Town equipment on Page 40 in the 2010 Town Report. Walter Johnson, Town Administrator stated that the truck had a plow. Kathleen Wieliczko, Library Trustee corrected the date of the 100<sup>th</sup> year celebration in the Library Trustees Report on Page 18 in the Town Report to be May 7, 2011. A voice vote was taken and the Article **PASSED**.

**Article 4:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the budget committee recommended sum of Two Million and Eighty-five Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$2,085,200) for general municipal operations. Said sum does not include special or individual articles elsewhere within this warrant.

**Recommended by the Selectmen; (5 yeas 0 nays) and Budget Committee; (5 yeas, 0 nays)**

Moved by Daniel Rossner and seconded by Carl Lehner. No discussion. A voice vote taken and Article **PASSED**.

**Article 5:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred and Nine Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$309,500) to be placed into the following Capital Reserve Funds:

Fire/Rescue Vehicles	\$35,000
Road Reconstruction	125,000
White Oak Pond Dam	1,000
Transfer Station Equipment	2,500
Municipal Buildings	5,000
Revaluation	35,000
Library	5,000
Fire Equipment	4,000
Public Works Vehicles	45,000
Police Cruiser	22,000
Employee Health Insurance Trust	15,000
Conservation	5,000
Abatement Legal Defense Fund	<u>10,000</u>
	<b>\$309,500</b>

**Recommended by the Selectmen; (5 yeas 0 nays) and Budget Committee; (5 yeas 0 nays).**

Moved by Peg Winton and seconded by Martha Richards.

Martha Richards asked how often are the police cruisers replaced and if it is determined by mileage or age? Selectman Peter Webster answered the cruisers are replaced every two years due to mileage. A voice vote was taken and the Article **PASSED**.

**Article 6:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred and Ninety-two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars

(\$192,500) for the following capital projects and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the Selectmen to withdraw the sums indicated from the following designated Capital Reserve Funds for these purposes:

Road Reconstruction	\$125,000
Municipal Building Improvements	\$ 18,500
Revaluation	\$ 35,000
Fire/Rescue Vehicles	\$ 9,000
Library Improvements	<u>\$ 5,000</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$192,500</b>

This is a special warrant article.

**Recommended by the Selectmen; (5 yeas 0 nays) and Budget Committee; (5 yeas 0 nays)**

Moved by Peg Winton and seconded by Andy Hancock. No discussion. A voice vote was taken and the Article **PASSED**.

**Article 7:** To see if the town will vote to increase the current membership of the town budget committee from three at large members to five at large members?

Moved by Peg Winton and seconded by Alicia Abbott. Nancy Ruhm asked why should the membership be increased? Selectman, Peter Webster stated that a five member board would be more effective than a three member board. A voice vote was taken and the Article **PASSED**.

**Article 8:** To see if the Town will vote to register and disseminate to all concerned its objection, opposition and commitment to stop the construction of any portion of the 1200 Megawatt High Voltage Direct Current Transmission Line in the Town of Holderness as presently proposed by Northeast Utilities, NStar and Hydro-Quebec since such a huge scar constructed and erected through and above our Town's treasured residential and scenic private properties will cause inestimable damage to the orderly economic development of the Town, its economy, and the health and wellbeing of its residents; or to take any other action relative thereto. This article is by petition.

Moved by Martha Richards and seconded by Alicia Abbott. Moderator Deachman recognized Martha Richards who voiced her concerns on the size and locations of the transmission towers and the potential environmental and economic impact the proposed project may cause. Moderator recognized Bonnie Hunt and Jack Saunders who spoke in favor of the article. A standing vote took place and the Moderator declared the Article **PASSED** unanimously with 129 votes.

Moderator Deachman asked for a moment of silence for those residents that had passed away during the year of 2010.

**Article 9:** To transact any other business that can legally come before the meeting.

Moderator recognized Selectman Peter Webster.

Mr. Webster recognized and thanked Suzanne Peoples for her 6 years of service on the Board of Selectmen, as a member of the Planning Board, and her years of service as our local Librarian. Mr. Webster presented Mrs. Peoples with a granite recognition Award as a token of appreciation.

Mrs. Peoples expressed her appreciation and thanks to the community.

Alden Van Sickle moved to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded.

Moderator Deachman declared the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen King  
Holderness Town Clerk

## **PLANNING BOARD**

---

Planning Board application activity decreased for this year, most likely due in part to the current economy. Applications reviewed in 2012: boundary line adjustment / subdivision application – granted; 3 site plan applications – 2 granted, 1 withdrawn; 3 subdivision applications – granted

The members worked throughout the year on language for a number of Zoning Ordinance amendments. Proposed amendments for March 2012 Town Meeting include clarifications for zoning rights associated with non-conforming structures and lots and protections for the water quality of the groundwater and lakes and streams.

Planning Board duties are specified by state statute and include review of subdivision and site plan applications, review and update of the Master Plan, and review of the Zoning Ordinance for development of amendments as needed. The members continue to work on procedures for consistent review of applications balancing assistance to the applicant with conformity to the town's zoning ordinance requirements.

Members attended training seminars sponsored by the Local Government Center in an effort to stay abreast of changes to legislation frequently generated by complex and sometimes confusing court decisions.

The Board once again expresses its desire for an expanded membership and encourages residents to consider serving on this important committee. The work can be challenging, but is quite interesting and a broad representation of the town is needed to accurately assess the desires of the community when reviewing and updating land use regulations for the town.

The Planning Board Application was updated to be a comprehensive submission for all activities reviewed by the Board. The application, zoning ordinance, subdivision and site plan regulations, as well as minutes and agendas, can be found on the town web site: [www.holderness-nh.gov](http://www.holderness-nh.gov).

Respectfully Submitted,

Randy Currier (alternate), Todd Elgin, Peter Francesco, Earl Hansen - Chair, Ron Huntoon, Carl Lehner, Suzanne Peoples (alternate), Bob Snelling, and Jill White (ex-officio)

## **POLICE DEPARTMENTS REPORT**

---

The year 2011 was a busy year for the Police Department. The number of arrests nearly doubled and the number of calls for service continued to increase. Arrests at the Livermore Falls Beach located along the Pemigewasset River, and on North and South River Streets, where a large number of College students reside account for a significant portion of the increase.

In an effort to supplement some of the costs of enforcement associated with these increases, we obtained a grant from the Department of Justice. The grant covers the cost of an officer's salary while he is engaged in the enforcement of the laws against underage drinking. Most of the arrests which result from such enforcement are violations of Town Ordinances. The fines associated with these violations are returned to the Town. The fines returned to the Town in the year 2011 added nearly \$7,000.00 to the general fund.

Thanks to the Edwin Webster Foundation, NH Highway Safety Agency and the Holderness School we were able to secure over \$15,000.00 in donations, which made it possible for the department to acquire a message board/radar trailer. The trailer will be used during emergency situations to inform resident or visitors of any necessary action needed. Additionally, the radar display will be used in random locations around town to slow traffic. The unit has a data collection system which will allow officers to accurately determine when speed enforcement is most needed and when the traffic volumes are at their heaviest. This unit will be made available to all departments within the Town. I would like to thank the Cromwell Point Association who donated \$500.00 to the Holderness Police Association. The donations given to the Police Association are used to purchase new equipment without impacting the police departments' operational budget.

I would also like to thank the Mount Prospect Lodge #69 and Olive Branch #16, F.&AM as well as the NH Masonic Charities for their annual donation to the DARE program. Without their help it would be difficult to keep this program going. The Holderness Police Department will continue to provide and support programs that keep our children safe.

In closing, I would like to thank the members of the Select Board, Town Hall, Highway Department, Fire Department, and the Holderness Central School for their assistance and support throughout the year. I would encourage you to stop by the police department or send me an e-mail should you have any concerns or suggestions on how we may better serve the town.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jeremiah Patridge  
Chief of Police

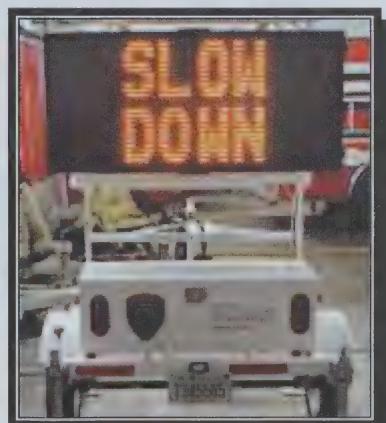
## **HOLDERNESS POLICE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL**



L-R Back Row: Patrolman- Seth Learned, Mike Barney, David Bourne  
L-R Front Row: Lieutenant- Barry Tanner, Chief- Jeremiah Patridge, Sergeant- Erik DiFilippe

# 2011 POLICE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS

911 HANG-UP	29	MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS	55
ABANDONING A VEHICLE	0	MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT (Fatality)	0
ALARM (Business & Res. & Fire)	115	MOTOR VEHICLE CITATIONS	40
ALCOHOL OFFENSES	59	MOTOR VEHICLE COMPLAINT	48
ANIMAL INVOLVED INCIDENTS	106	MOTOR VEHICLE WARNINGS	1108
ARRESTS (Total)	130	MOTOR VEHICLE / DWI	7
ASSIST OTHER DEPARTMENTS	310	NOISE COMPLAINT	28
ATTEMPT TO COMMIT BURGLARY	1	OFFICER FOLLOW-UP	290
ATTEMPT TO LOCATE	0	OPEN/UNSECURE DOOR	23
BENCH WARRANT	4	PAPER SERVICE / RELAY	30
BURGLARY	7	PARKING COMPLAINT / INFO	36
CITIZEN REQUEST ASSIST. / MVLO	125	PARKING TICKETS	51
CIVIL MATTER	12	PISTOL PERMITS	41
CIVIL STANDBY	21	POLICE INFORMATION	56
CONDUCT AFTER AN ACCIDENT	2	PROACTIVE NOISE WARNING	9
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	9	RECKLESS/NEGIGENT OPERATION	1
CRIMINAL RECORDS	105	REGISTRATION OF SEX OFFENDER	11
CRIMINAL THREATENING	2	RESISTING ARREST OR DETENTION	0
CRIMINAL TRESPASS	8	RUNAWAY JUVENILE	1
DIRECTED PATROL (Incl. Radar)	712	SEXUAL ASSAULT	2
DISORDERLY ACTIONS / CONDUCT	16	SIMPLE ASSAULT	5
DISTURBANCE (Incl. Domestic)	23	SITE CHECKS	942
DRUG RELATED INCIDENT	6	SPECIAL EVENTS PERMITS	19
FINGERPRINTS - JOB APPLICATIONS	5	SUBPOENA SERVICE	8
FOOTPATROL	87	SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	119
FRAUD / FORGERY	2	THEFT (All Thefts)	39
HARASSMENT	3	UNRULY JUVENILE	0
ISSUING BAD CHECKS	1	UNTIMELY / UNATTENDED DEATH	3
LITTERING	5	VACANT HOUSE CHECK	1410
LOST / FOUND PROPERTY	31	WELFARE CHECK	5
MISSING / WANTED PERSONS	4		



*Please Drive Safely!*

## **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

---

I'm often amazed at how quickly time passes by. As I pulled out last years report for review I couldn't help but feel that I had just written it. Where does the time go? The past year was busy for the Highway Department. We worked on several reconstruction projects, paving sections of Coxboro, Mt. Prospect, and Trivett Roads as well as a considerable amount of time and material spent on our gravel roads. Our major gravel project of the past year was to rebuild approximately 2100' of Seven Pines Road and with the help of M.E. Johnston Construction the project came in on time and within budget. Along with our reconstruction projects there was also general maintenance. This past year a considerable amount of time was dedicated to ditching, culverts and road surfaces.

This winter is turning out to be anything but ordinary, but then, what is ordinary for New Hampshire. With the challenges of more rain/ice events than snow it takes more sand and salt to keep the roads passable.

As always I'd like to thank the crew of the Highway Department, Lewie Thompson, Dennis Hughes, and David Guyotte for their hard work and dedication, and to Skip Thompson for keeping the grounds of the Cemeteries, Town Hall, Library, and Bike Path, as well as many other areas in town looking as neat and tidy as they do. It's also nice to know that other departments can count on us as we can them.

With continued support of the townpeople and the efforts of the Highway Department, we have many reconstruction projects that we are looking forward to along with continuing our general maintenance practices; we will continue to achieve our desired results.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin M Coburn  
Holderness Road Agent

## **RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

---

Holderness Recreation runs under the oversight of the Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator and a volunteer Recreation Board and is administered by one part-time director and many part-time and seasonal staff. The department provides year-round recreational opportunities to the residents & tax payers of Holderness.



Four times a year the Recreation Director publishes a program flyer. It is distributed to residents via regular mail and email, is sent home through the local schools, and is available for pickup at the Post Office and Town Hall. You can find additional information about Holderness Recreation online at [www.holderness-nh.gov](http://www.holderness-nh.gov).

In May the department was presented a “Fab Foto” award from the NH Recreation and Park Association for one of many fabulous pictures from the SummerEscape program. The picture is on display in the recreation office. The director was also awarded a professional development grant to be used for continuing education and training opportunities.

Programs for 2011 included, Adult Yoga, Family / Child Yoga, Zumba, SummerEscape, Archery, Swimming Lessons, Volleyball, Early Bird Exercise, Babysitter Training, Pick up Hockey, Open Swim, Backyard Flock Management, vacation week performances with Grammy Nominated Judy Pancoast and TWO a High Energy Juggling duo, and so much more.

Holderness Recreation participated in several special events this year in collaboration with other town organizations including StoryWalk with the Holderness Free Library and the Squam Lakes Natural Science Center, Snow Science activities with Squam Lake Association and the ACE program, and finally Judy Pancoast's Halloween Concert with Holderness Free Library. We are thankful to have such great organizations in our community and enjoy having the opportunity to work with them.

Our largest program is SummerEscape. The program ran for 8-weeks and had an average of 27 participants per week.

SummerEscapers attended a wide variety of trips including: Whales Tale Waterpark, Wellington State Park, Pirates Cove Mini Golf, NHSPCA, Clarks Trading Post, Funspot, Smitty's Cinema and PSU Ice Arena. We are thankful for the way the summer staff keep the campers purposefully engaged, safe and happy. We are also pleased and proud to say that we have retained the same staff for several years and feel that their experience and continuity add value to this program.

The 2011 concert series brought us the talents of Sweet Life Revue, Uncle Steve's Band, and Postage Due. The concerts are held on Monday nights at the Gazebo behind Curry Place. Keep your eyes open for the 2012 lineup which will be available in April.

The Recreation Department would like to thank the following people for their continued support: all the residents and taxpayers, Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator, Town Hall Staff, Department of Public Works, Police Department, Fire Department and the Holderness Free Library. We would also like to thank Camp Deerwood for providing our summer staff with their first aid and CPR training. This is a much appreciated service that they have been offering for many years to our department. Thank you to William VanBennekum and the Holderness Central School Staff for their continuing support and for their cooperation with our programs which use of the HCS facilities.

Last but not least we would like to thank those of you who have contributed to our Scholarship fund. This fund allows us to help families and individuals participate in our programs by offering financial assistance. We accept monetary donations of any value and checks can be sent to the Recreation Department with a note specifying that the donation is for the scholarship fund.

If you would like to take an active role in your Recreation Department, please contact one of the board members or Wendy at [holdrec@roadrunner.com](mailto:holdrec@roadrunner.com) or 968-3700.

Respectfully submitted,  
Wendy Werner (Recreation Director), Tom Stepp (Chairperson)  
George 'Biff' Sutcliffe (Secretary), Shelly Swanson, Janis Messier  
Molly Whitcomb, Meika Carter, Woody Laverack (Selectman  
Liaison)

## **Notice to Property Owners** **“RESTORING” MERGED LOTS UNDER HB 316**

---

If you own real estate lots that were involuntarily merged by municipal action, you may be able to have those lots restored to their pre-merger status.

In 2010 Legislature responded to the NH Supreme court decision in Sutton v. Gilford, 160 N.H. 43 (2010) (upholding a town ordinance merging adjacent non conforming lots) by revising RSA 674:39-a to state: “No city, town country, or village district may merge preexisting subdivided lots or parcels except under consent of the owner.” Due to 2011 Legislature enacted HB 316 (effective July 24, 2011) which created a new section – RSA 674:39-aa.

Under RSA 674:39aa, the owner of lots that were involuntarily merged prior to September 18, 2010 may request that the governing body “restore” the lots to their pre-merged status so long as the following conditions are met: (1) the request is made prior to December 31, 2016; and (2) no owner in the chain of title had voluntarily merged the lots (with the municipality bearing the burden of proof of such voluntary merge). A municipality may adopt an ordinance to restore such requests may be appealed to the ZBA under the provisions of RSA 676.

Your property may qualify if two or more lots were merged for zoning, assessing, or taxation purposes and the merger occurred:

- During your ownership, without your consent; or
- Prior to your ownership, if no previous owner consented to the merger.
- Your properties will once again become separate lots; however, they must still conform to applicable land use ordinances. Restoration does not cure non-conformity.

If you are a property owner in the town of Holderness and feel this RSA pertains to your property and you would like to “restore” the lots to their pre-merged status please stop by the town hall or contact us at 968-2145.

**TAX COLLECTOR**  
**July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011**

---

**MS-61**

<b>UNCOLLECTED TAXES BEG. OF YEAR*</b>		<b>DEBITS</b>	
		<b>Levy for Year of this Report</b>	<b>PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YRS.)</b>
			2010
Property Taxes	#3110		\$2,157,554.82
Resident Taxes	#3180		
Land Use Change	#3120		
Yield Taxes	#3185		\$1,787.48
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187		\$1,284.00
Sewer Charges	#3189		\$152.67
Property Tax Credit Balance**		-3,738.33	-\$22,208.42
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance**		-149.08	
<b>TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR</b>			
Property Taxes	#3110	\$4,487,224.00	\$4,484,213.00
Resident Taxes	#3180		
Elderly Deferral Tax		\$3,504.41	
Land Use Change	#3120		\$13,400.00
Yield Taxes	#3185	\$9,653.69	\$1,860.31
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187		
Sewer Charges	#3189	\$1,862.94	\$2,866.30
Sewer Mainten Assessment	#3189	\$1,450.00	
<b>OVERPAYMENT REFUNDS</b>			
Property Taxes	#3110	\$3,151.00	\$7,658.31
Interest - Late Tax	#3190	\$28.36	\$24,987.08
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>		<b>\$4,502,986.99</b>	<b>\$6,673,555.55</b>

**TAX COLLECTOR**  
**July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011**

---

MS-61

**CREDITS**

REMITTED TO TREASURER	Levy for Year of <b>2011</b>	(PLEASE SPECIFY YRS.)
		<b>2010</b>
Property Taxes	\$3,258,593.46	\$6,545,294.91
Land Use Change		\$13,400.00
Yield Taxes	\$8,086.03	\$3,647.79
Interest (include lien conversion)	\$28.36	\$24,987.08
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd		\$1,284.00
Sewer Charges	\$1,032.15	\$3,018.97
Sewer Maintenance Assessment	\$1,450.00	
Conversion to Lien (principal only)		\$72,381.13
Conversion to Elderly Tax Deferrals		\$1,872.00
Overpayment Refunds	\$3,151.00	\$7,658.31
<b>DISCOUNTS ALLOWED</b>		
<b>ABATEMENTS MADE</b>		
Property Taxes		\$9.00
<b>CURRENT LEVY DEEDED</b>		
<b>UNCOLLECTED TAXES - END OF YEAR #1080</b>		
Property Taxes	\$1,228,630.54	\$2.36
Yield Taxes	\$1,567.66	
Elderly Deferral Tax	\$3,504.41	
Sewer Charges	\$830.79	
Property Tax Credit Balance**	-\$3,738.33	
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance**	-\$149.08	
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	\$4,502,986.99	\$6,673,555.55

**TAX COLLECTOR**  
**July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011**

---

**MS-61**

**DEBITS**

	<b>Last Year's Levy</b>	<b>PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)</b>			
		<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beg. Of Year		\$93,274.83	\$38,864.52		\$264.51
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	\$79,356.83				
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	\$123.47	\$5,262.05	\$13,763.28		\$156.95
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$79,480.30</b>	<b>\$98,536.88</b>	<b>\$52,627.80</b>		<b>\$421.46</b>

**CREDITS**

<b>REMITTED TO TREASURER</b>		<b>Last Year's Levy</b>	<b>PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)</b>			
			<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>
Redemptions		\$9,542.90	\$46,712.00	\$37,717.52		\$264.51
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	#3190	\$123.47	\$5,262.05	\$13,763.28		\$156.95
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens						
Liens Deeded to Municipality						
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year	#1110	\$69,813.93	\$46,562.83	\$1,147.00		\$0.00
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>		<b>\$79,480.30</b>	<b>\$98,536.88</b>	<b>\$52,627.80</b>		<b>\$421.46</b>

Respectfully submitted,  
Ellen King  
Holderness Tax Collector

**DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION**  
**MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION**  
**2011 TAX RATE CALCULATION**

**TOWN/ CITY: HOLDERNESS**

Gross Appropriations	2,587,200
Less: Revenues	983,812
Less: Shared Revenues	0
Add: Overlay	10,911
War Service Credits	57,500
Net Town Appropriation	1,671,799
Special Adjustment	0

**TOWN RATE**  
**2.43**

Approved Town/ City Tax Effort	1,671,799
--------------------------------	-----------

**SCHOOL PORTION**

Net Local School Budget (Gross Approp.–Revenue)	4,007,837
Regional School Apportionment	2,380,513
Less: Adequate Education Grant	0

State Education Taxes	(1,580,620)
Approved School(s) Tax Effort	4,807,730

**LOCAL SCHOOL**  
**RATE**  
**6.96**

**STATE EDUCATION TAXES**

Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x	\$2.325
751,234,316	1,580,620
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)	
679,749,805	
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State	
Pay to State	0

**STATE SCHOOL**  
**RATE**  
**2.30**

**COUNTY PORTION**

Due to County	1,017,189
Less: Shared Revenues	0

Approved County Tax Effort	1,017,189
----------------------------	-----------

**COUNTY RATE**  
**1.47**

Total Property Taxes Assessed	9,077,338
Less: War Service Credits	(57,500)
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	0
<b>Total Property Tax Commitment</b>	<b>9,019,838</b>

**TOTAL RATE**  
**13.16**

**PROOF OF RATE**

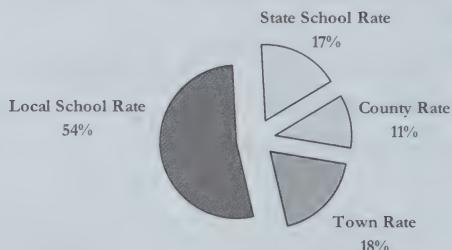
	Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)	686,613,104	2.30	1,580,620
All Other Taxes	690,435,404	10.86	7,496,718
			9,077,338

# TAX RATE INFORMATION

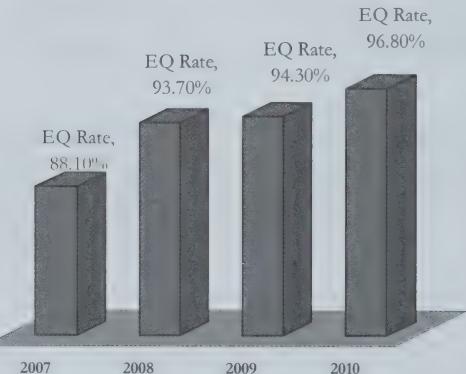
## Tax Rate Comparison from 2007 to Present



## 2011 Tax Rate Breakdown



## EQUALIZATION RATIO COMPARISON



# **REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK REMITTED TO THE TREASURER**

---

**July 1, 2010-June 30, 2011**

Motor Vehicle Registration/Title Fee:	\$ 336,785.50
Municipal Agent Fee:	8,811.00
Dog Licenses:	3,313.50
Vital Records Fee:	2,350.00
Transfer Station Receipts:	20,549.23
Transfer Station Stickers:	2,341.00
Beach Permits:	3,210.00
Wetlands Application Fee:	68.00
Miscellaneous:	80.00
<u>Overpayments: refunds</u>	<u>379.00</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 377,887.23</b>

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen King  
Holderness Town Clerk

# **SCHEDULE OF TOWN EQUIPMENT**

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

1931 Ford	
1954 Willys Jeep	
1997 Ford Expedition	
2009 Ford Rescue	12R1
1990 Mack Fire Truck	12E3
1993 Ford Forest Fire Truck	12F3
1997 Mack Fire Truck	12E4
2006 Kenworth Fire Truck	12E5
2006 Premier Pontoon Boat	12B1
13' Boston Whaler Boat	12B2

## **MOBILE EQUIPMENT**

1951 Model Dunbarton Cascade Trailer
2002 Yacht Club Snowmobile Trailer
2003 Skandik Ski-Doo
2007 Yacht Club Pontoon Trailer
2009 Kubota UTV

## **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

2009 International – 6 Wheel Dump Truck (sander in body & plow)
2004 Peterbilt – 6 Wheel Dump Truck (sander in body & plow)
2011 Ford F-350 – 1 Ton Pickup Truck (slide in sander & plow)
2006 Ford F-550 - 1 Ton Dump Truck (slide in sander & plow)
2009 Caterpillar Backhoe
1994 Galion Grader

## **EQUIPMENT**

1990 Bandit 200 XP Brush Chipper
1988 York Rake
1988 Road Broom

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

2010 Ford Crown Victoria -	Unit #4
2005 Ford Crown Victoria -	Detail Car
2007 Ford Crown Victoria -	Unit #2
2003 Ford Expedition-	Unit #3
2006 Ford Crown Victoria -	Unit #1
2011 Message Board/Radar Trailer	

## **TRANSFER STATION**

1997 Caterpillar Backhoe
2004 Ford F-350 – 1 Ton Pickup Truck (slide in sander & plow)

## **SCHEDULE OF TOWN & SCHOOL PROPERTY**

<b>TAX MAP/ LOT</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION LOCATION</b>	<b>LAND VALUE</b>	<b>BUILDING VALUE</b>	<b>TOTAL VALUE</b>
No Map #	White Oak Pond Dam		32,100	32,100
101-008	Fire/Police Station	171,720	794,600	966,320
101-012-1	Route 113	57,820	9,800	67,620
101-019	Library	365,320	198,200	563,520
102-006	Village Common & Gazebo	610,400	4,000	614,400
222-015	Public Works Garage	191,450	245,400	436,850
223-011	Pilote Conservation Lot	514,350		514,350
224-001	Smith Road Lot	78,380		78,380
225-016	Pemi River park Lot	36,300		36,300
225-019-A	TAP-Avery Street		12,300	12,300
228-079	HCS Vacant Lot	133,360		133,360
229-025	Holderness Central School	254,130	3,979,000	4,233,130
231-003	Route 113	42,200		42,200
239-001	Town Hall	44,550	303,500	348,050
239-042	Corner Lot-Routes 3 & 175	47,300		47,300
245-065	Transfer Station	105,000	91,300	196,300
245-067	White Oak Pond	188,500		188,500
252-016-1	East Holderness Road	113,720		113,720

## **TOWN MAINTAINED CEMETERIES**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>MAP/LOT</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION/LOCATION</b>
East Holderness	252-9	Corner Rt. 3 & E. Holderness Rd
Eastman	251	E. Holderness Rd West of Vontel
Cox	255-3	East Holderness Road
Merrill	255-11	Hawkins Pond Road
Piper	246-21	Coxboro Road
Squam Bridge	101-10	Corner Rt. 3 & Rt. 113
True	206	Rt. 113 and Pinehurst Rd
Shaw	228	Hardhack Road
Ladd	205	RT 113
Sanborn	222-22	Old Highway South
Prescott	231	Old Highway South
Carr	220-7	Old Highway South

## **TRANSFER STATION**

We have completed our first year using the new facility. I am amazed at how well we did this year. With your efforts we dropped from 700.5 tons of trash in 2010 to 663 tons of trash in 2011. With a drop like that, (37.5 tons) we have to wonder where it went. Comparing it to last year, it is like having no trash in town for 3 weeks.

We can't use weight to compare the recyclables because we used to use a 30 yard open top container for the paper and cardboard. Now we use a 42 yard closed container. If we use the yardage scale, we see 462 more yards of recyclables this year. To haul away 462 yards should have taken 11 more containers but now we use the bigger containers so it only took one more container. This saved us \$4,342 in trucking fees and trash disposal fees. We had 96 containers hauled this year, 55 were trash and 41 were recyclables. This gives us a 43% recycling rate. This is a much higher rate than with the old system. I believe we were at 32% as a high with the old system. We are getting close to a 50% recycling rate. This is so much better than the very old land fill system. We used to throw this stuff away. Now we are taking almost half of the trash and using it again. Our goal for the upcoming year is to get a little closer to that 50% mark. Please feel free to ask us any questions and together we can make this happen!



Reuse is even better then recycling. Remember, it still takes energy to recycle materials from our town. The fuel for the trucks, electricity to sort and bail the recyclables, and fuel for turning the recyclables into a new useable material all add up to a lot of energy to recycle, but it is still better then cutting down more trees or making more plastic that takes thousands of years to break down. So reuse as much as you can. How do you do that? Check out our "Swop Shop". If you have items that still work but you don't need, put it in our Swop Shop so it can find a new home. This takes no energy and may even help someone else out. Sorry

we don't take TV's, computer monitors or hazardous waste in the Swop Shop. While in the Swop Shop, if you see something you can use, feel free to take it. You don't need to leave something to take something. Have fun treasure hunting.

We also had a great year on recycling the copper and aluminum. All those broken radios, vacuums, coffee makers, hair dryers and other electrical items you bring in add up. We cut the wires off and save them in barrels. We had 1,240 lbs of insulated copper wire that was worth \$1,822. All of our copper and aluminum added up to \$5,088 this year. You may only have a couple little pieces but we add them all together and it adds up to a truck load.

As you know Sue is no longer with us on a day to day basis. She is still available to help out from time to time. We wish her luck in her desire to work more with dogs.

Ernie Philbrick is our new part time worker. Ernie is a hard worker and has learned quickly how the transfer-station works. I am glad to have him working with me.

Thanks for the effort you have shown in recycling this year, it shows! Let's try to top this year by reducing our trash loads by one and recycle an extra container or two. Let's try for a 44% - 45% recycling rate. Remember, Ernie and I would rather answer a question then to try to pull something out of the big hoppers.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Davis,  
Transfer Station Supervisor

# **TREASURER'S REPORT**

## **JULY 1, 2010 - JUNE 30, 2011**

### **Operating Account**

	<b>Conservation Account</b>
Beginning Balance 07/01/10	\$ 2,697,010.34
Auditor Adjustments	Beginning Balance 07/01/10
Receipts	\$ 1,434.96
Taxes	Receipts \$ 1.44
All Other	Expenditures \$ -
Total Receipts	Ending Balance 06/30/11 \$ 1,436.40
Expenditures	
School Payments	Bank Proof
\$ (6,258,160.00)	Meredith Village Savings Bank 06/30/ \$ 1,436.40
County Payment	Deposits in transit
\$ (924,054.00)	Checks in transit
Town Employee Wages	Ending Balance 06/30/11
\$ (862,190.85)	\$ 1,436.40
Town Capital & Operating Expense	<u>\$ (2,588,342.75)</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ (10,632,747.60)</u>
Ending Balance 06/30/11	<u>\$ (10,632,747.60)</u>

### **Trustee of Trust Funds**

	<b>Trustee of Trust Funds</b>
Beginning Balance 07/01/10	\$ 120.57
Receipts	\$ 395,547.50
Expenditures	\$ (395,511.58)
Bank Proof	Ending Balance 06/30/11 \$ 156.49
Northway Bank: 06/30/10 Checking & Investment	Bank Proof
\$ 3,412,426.16	Meredith Village Savings Bank 06/30/ \$ 156.49
Deposits in transit	Deposits in transit
\$ 387,372.59	Checks in transit
Checks in transit	Ending Balance
\$ (62,355.80)	\$ 156.49
Ending Balance	\$ 3,737,442.95
Deposits at other Financial Institutions	
Community Guaranty Savings Bank MM	\$ 251,252.37
Northway Bank CD	\$ 251,731.11

This summary of receipts and expenditures is prepared using cash basis accounting.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Todd Elgin  
 Town Treasurer

# TRUST FUND & CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

## JULY 1, 2010 - JUNE 30, 2011

	Fund	Beginning Balance	Contributions	Withdrawals	Interest Earned	Ending Balance
<b>TOWN OF HOLDERNESS</b>						
CEMETERY FUNDS	\$	13,999.35	22,000.00	(32,383.75)	20.90	\$ 14,020.25
POLICE CRUISER	\$	24,898.41	35,000.00	43.46		\$ 14,558.12
FIRE TRUCK	\$	92,237.54	1,000.00	148.25		\$ 127,385.79
WHITE OAK POND FUND	\$	9,397.63	5,000.00	(250.00)	14.74	\$ 10,162.37
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	\$	56,400.06	150,000.00	(104,169.74)	85.45	\$ 61,485.51
ROAD CONSTRUCTION	\$	46,251.21			114.69	\$ 92,196.16
TRANSFER STATION	\$	1,002.71			0.97	\$ 1,003.68
SEWER CONSTRUCTION	\$	7,896.73			11.71	\$ 7,908.44
GRANT APPLICATIONS	\$	11,602.00			17.31	\$ 11,619.31
FOREST FIRE EXPENDABLE TRUST	\$	15,996.68	1,382.53		24.87	\$ 17,404.08
EMERGENCY MGT EXPENSES	\$	17,036.41	10,000.00	(12,572.31)	25.46	\$ 17,061.87
LIBRARY IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$	20,717.98	5,000.00		33.83	\$ 18,179.50
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS FUND	\$	26,342.33	32,000.00	(31,179.45)	40.61	\$ 31,382.94
TOWN REVALUATION FUND	\$	13,020.13	4,000.00	-	28.99	\$ 13,869.67
FIRE EQUIPMENT FUND	\$	4,651.15			8.37	\$ 8,659.52
VILLAGE SIDEWALKS FUND	\$	1,908.55			3.05	\$ 1,911.60
HOLDERNESS HONOR ROLL FUND	\$	19,796.16			29.56	\$ 19,825.72
PUBLIC WORKS CAP RESERVE	\$	32,845.23	45,000.00	(55,047.00)	62.39	\$ 22,860.62
MASTER PLAN	\$	7,128.94			10.73	\$ 7,139.67
RECREATION PATH MAINTENANCE	\$	23,275.31	15,000.00	(19,344.21)	34.62	\$ 23,309.93
EMPLOYEE HEALTH INS. ACCT	\$	7,216.92	5,000.00		15.43	\$ 2,888.14
TRANSFER STATION EQUIPMENT	\$	28,533.39	10,000.00	(9,500.00)	43.96	\$ 33,577.35
ABATEMENT LEGAL DEFENSE	\$	-	2,500.00		3.16	\$ 503.16
VETERANS HONOR ROLL MAINTENANCE	\$	816.50			0.95	\$ 2,500.95
ROTHSCHILD COMPUTER CLASS	\$	3,000.00			0.78	\$ 817.28
RAND GARDEN FUND	\$				2.87	\$ 3,002.87
<b>TOTALS</b>	\$	<b>485,971.32</b>	<b>\$ 342,882.53</b>	<b>\$ (264,446.46)</b>	<b>\$ 827.11</b>	<b>\$ 565,234.50</b>
<b>HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL</b>						
SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND	\$	52,265.58			77.81	\$ 52,343.39
TECHNOLOGY	\$	27,786.41	10,000.00		41.77	\$ 37,828.18
LAND PURCHASE FUND	\$					
BUILDING RENOVATIONS	\$	33,003.37	40,000.00		50.92	\$ 73,054.29
<b>TOTALS</b>	\$	<b>113,055.36</b>	<b>\$ 50,000.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 170.50</b>	<b>\$ 163,225.86</b>

## **TRUST FUND & CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS REPORT CONTINUED**

Report of Trust & Capital Reserve Funds (cont)

<b>PEMI-BAKER REGIONAL SCHOOL DIST</b>	\$ 1,689.67	2.77	\$ 1,692.44
SPECIAL EDUCATION	\$ 1,610.66	2.77	\$ 1,613.43
BUILDING FUND			
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 3,300.33</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 5.54</b>
 <b>PEMI-BAKER SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS</b>			
SPANISH CLUB	\$ 2,004.46	70.48	\$ 3.36
FRONCEK SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 2,550.44		\$ 3.75
ZOUMLAS SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 33,446.05	(500.00)	\$ 49.49
LAWSON SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 8,349.88	(500.00)	\$ 12.07
PERSON SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 25,103.62	(113.00)	\$ 37.40
PAQUETTE SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 3,004.28		\$ 4.56
ASH SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 3,418.26	(22.00)	\$ 4.91
DAWSON SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 685.65		\$ -
MINICKIELLO SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 1,157.20		\$ 1.28
YOUNG SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 9,164.96		\$ 13.69
BLAKE SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 9,147.66		\$ 13.63
VOLPE SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 2,885.81	(1,053.00)	\$ 7.19
LW PACKARD EMPLOYEE SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 13,373.51		\$ 19.82
AVERY SCHOLARSHIP PU	\$ 2,192.49	(200.00)	\$ 3.29
W. CARLETON ADAMS PR	\$ 36,183.77	(2,000.00)	\$ 53.77
FRENCH CLUB	\$ -		\$ -
BURKE SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 6,251.84	269.34	\$ 9.32
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 158,919.88</b>	<b>\$ 2,632.05</b>	<b>\$ (4,388.00)</b>
			<b>\$ 237.53</b>
 <b>TOTAL TOWN FUNDS</b>			
TOTAL HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL FUNDS			\$ \$ \$
TOTAL PEMI-BAKER REGIONAL SCHOOL FUNDS			\$ \$ \$
TOTAL PEMI-BAKER SCHOLARSHIPS			\$ \$ \$
 <b>TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS</b>			
			<b>\$ 157,401.46</b>
			\$ \$ \$
			\$ 565,234.50
			\$ 163,225.86
			\$ 3,305.87
			\$ 157,401.46
			<b>\$ 889,167.69</b>

Respectfully Submitted,  
Trustees of the Trust Funds  
Bonnie Hunt, Chair, Maurice Lafreniere, Peter Woodward

## BIRTHS - 2011

---

January 4	<u>NAME OF CHILD:</u> <b>Kylie Rose Vodvarka</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Ryan Vodvarka</b>	<u>PLACE OF BIRTH:</u> <b>Plymouth, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Judith Vodvarka</b>
February 8	<u>NAME OF CHILD:</u> <b>Haven Elly Eaton</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Derek Eaton</b>	<u>PLACE OF BIRTH:</u> <b>Plymouth, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Arianne Fosdick</b>
April 18	<u>NAME OF CHILD:</u> <b>Oran Patrick Conway</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Jason Conway</b>	<u>PLACE OF BIRTH:</u> <b>Plymouth, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Leesa Conway</b>
April 21	<u>NAME OF CHILD:</u> <b>Traegen Brooks Devine</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Ryan Devine</b>	<u>PLACE OF BIRTH:</u> <b>Plymouth, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Lyndsay Devine</b>
October 26	<u>NAME OF CHILD:</u> <b>Alaini Lilian Wilcox</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>William Wilcox</b>	<u>PLACE OF BIRTH:</u> <b>Plymouth, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Heather Wilcox</b>
December 16	<u>NAME OF CHILD:</u> <b>Isla Mirion Fish</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Gustaff Fish III</b>	<u>PLACE OF BIRTH:</u> <b>Concord, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Whitney Fish</b>

## **DEATHS - 2011**

January 10	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>Claire Lessard</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Euclide Laporte</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Holderness, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Gladys Giguere</b>
January 23	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>Gerald Miller Sr.</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>George Miller</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Meredith, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Maude Dow</b>
January 29	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>John Mason</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>John Mason</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Holderness, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Louise Preston</b>
February 3	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>Jeffrey Baker</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Loren Baker</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Plymouth, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Linda Carboneau</b>
March 1	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>Michael Morrison</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Donald Morrison</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Holderness, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Merle Herman</b>
March 4	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>John Webb</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Archibald Webb</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Meredith, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Anna Davidson</b>
April 3	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>Milton Hunkins Jr.</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Milton Hunkins Sr.</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Laconia, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Mildred Fellows</b>

## DEATH- 2011

---

	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>Philip Zimmer</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>William Zimmer</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Plymouth, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Rose Avery</b>
April 18	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>Gail Smith</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Hollis Willoughby</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Lebanon, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Alberta Chamberlain</b>
April 23	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>Howard Parker</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Asa Parker</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Holderness, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Ruth Wiggin</b>
May 3	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>Richard Sanderson</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Lewis Sanderson</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Holderness, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Alice Bayley</b>
June 8	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>Norma Batchelder</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Harold Burtt</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Holderness, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Pearl Veasey</b>
September 8	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>Henry Shields Jr.</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Henry Shields</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Manchester, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Bernice Knowles</b>
November 19	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>John Tamke</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Henry Tamke</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Holderness, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Eunice White</b>
December 27		

## MARRIAGES - 2011

	<u>NAME &amp; SURNAME OF GROOM &amp; BRIDE:</u> <b>Stephen Beltrami</b> <b>Kathleen Carson</b>	<u>RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE:</u> <b>Holderness, NH</b> <b>Holderness, NH</b>
January 1		
April 16	<u>NAME &amp; SURNAME OF GROOM &amp; BRIDE:</u> <b>Barry St Cyr Sr.</b> <b>Linda Kimball</b>	<u>RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE:</u> <b>Holderness, NH</b> <b>Holderness, NH</b>
May 28	<u>NAME &amp; SURNAME OF GROOM &amp; BRIDE:</u> <b>Alfred Ricker</b> <b>Natalie Cleavitt</b>	<u>RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE:</u> <b>Holderness, NH</b> <b>Holderness, NH</b>
June 9	<u>NAME &amp; SURNAME OF GROOM &amp; BRIDE:</u> <b>Cody Williams</b> <b>Katelyn Sarette</b>	<u>RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE:</u> <b>Holderness, NH</b> <b>Manchester, NH</b>
June 11	<u>NAME &amp; SURNAME OF GROOM &amp; BRIDE:</u> <b>Adam Hodge</b> <b>Holly Joyce</b>	<u>RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE:</u> <b>Holderness, NH</b> <b>Holderness, NH</b>
June 20	<u>NAME &amp; SURNAME OF GROOM &amp; BRIDE:</u> <b>Dean Hodge</b> <b>Stavros Kissonerghis</b>	<u>RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE:</u> <b>Holderness, NH</b> <b>Holderness, NH</b>
August 14	<u>NAME &amp; SURNAME OF GROOM &amp; BRIDE:</u> <b>John Paul III</b> <b>Chrissy Leighton</b>	<u>RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE:</u> <b>Holderness, NH</b> <b>Holderness, NH</b>

## MARRIAGE- 2011

	<u>NAME &amp; SURNAME OF GROOM &amp; BRIDE:</u>	<u>RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE:</u>
October 30	<b>Matthew Gage</b> <b>Julie Lapointe</b>	<b>Holderness, NH</b> <b>Holderness, NH</b>
November 11	<u>NAME &amp; SURNAME OF GROOM &amp; BRIDE:</u> <b>Douglas Terrance</b> <b>Jennifer Temple</b>	<u>RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE:</u> <b>Holderness, NH</b> <b>Holderness, NH</b>



## **WELFARE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

---

The Welfare Department was challenged again in 2011 with many new cases. With the drastic fall of the economy, lack of full time sustainable employment, lack of self employed employment, and gasoline and oil prices continually inconsistent, many individuals were forced with making challenging decisions. They must decide whether to feed their families, heat their homes, or pay their rent or mortgage payments. Throughout the year, I have met and worked with many respectful individuals in our community and have helped them through this hard time. Clients come to this office with many different situations and I have worked closely with each client to ensure they receive the help needed. Many individuals are referred to outside agencies and I am very grateful for all the support and assistance they have provided for my clients.

Eligibility for assistance is determined by having each individual complete an extensive application in order to provide an overview of the specific situation the client is in. Assistance is provided for an individual's basic necessities in accordance with State law and Town Guidelines. The applicants who are found eligible are assisted with expenses such as food, heat, electricity, rent, prescription drugs and other basic living and working needs. All applicants must have exhausted all other economic resources to be granted town assistance. It is and always will be the goal of the Welfare Department to help its residents gain control over their lives, and to help them transition through very challenging times.

Heat and rental assistance was the greatest expense this past year. With the unemployment rate increasing due to the economy, many individuals are seeking assistance from the town as a last resort. Even with the help from other agencies, community members are continually struggling to make ends meet.

I again would like to thank the outside agencies for all the support and assistance they have provided to the community members in need. I have also enjoyed working closely with the members of the community to ensure they become successful individuals and receive the assistance needed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Krystal Alpers, Welfare Director

## **ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

---

2011 was a busy year for the zoning Board. During ten meetings, the Board heard sixteen appeals, some with multiple components:

- 10 variance appeals: granted
- 1 variance appeal: denied
- 1 variance appeal: withdrawn
- 2 administrative decision appeals: denied
- 1 request for rehearing: denied
- 1 special exception: granted

Zoning Boards have the authority to act on four types of appeals: Decisions by administrative officials in the interpretation or enforcement of the zoning ordinance; Special Exceptions for permitted land use as allowed by the zoning ordinance observing specific criteria; Variances to grant relief from specific provisions of the ordinance related to dimensional requirements and land use; and Equitable Waivers related to a dimensional layout issue.

Board members have training opportunities available to them throughout the year sponsored by the Local Government Center and the Office of Energy and Planning. These training sessions are invaluable, especially those related to recent court decisions and their application to statutes and local regulations.

The appeal application was reviewed and revised by the Board for easier use by property owners; it can be found on the town web site. The Board also conducted the annual review and update of their Rules of Procedure which define the roles of the members and the process for conducting hearings.

The Board always welcomes new members and encourages anyone interested to attend a few meetings to become familiar with the process.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ivan Bass, Sam Brickley (alternate), Wendell Broom, Gary Karp  
Robert Maloney (alternate), Robert Rothschild (alternate), Erik  
Simensen, Susan Webster - Chair

# SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

## Friday, August 5, 2011: Festivities Began

1:00-2:00 a.m. Steve Schuch concert – Kirkwood Gardens, Squam Lakes Science Center.

1:00 – 6:00 P.M. – Holderness Historical Society Open



Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011-

7:00– 10:00 a.m. - Street Dance with "Postage Due" at Little Church Theater.

## Saturday, August 6, 2011: Festivities Continued.....



Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011-

Abenaki Indians marched down the street during the parade.

9:00-6:00 p.m. Holderness Historical Society Open.

## SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

---

9:30-4:30 p.m. – FREE admission to Squam Natural Science Center for Holderness residents.



Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup> 2011 –  
Mattatuck Fife & Drum Band Parade by boat.

The Mattatuck Fife & Drum Corps of Waterbury CT is the oldest continuously functioning Fife & Drum Corps in the country.



Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011 –

The Vintage Boat Flotilla, starting at Cotton Cove through the channel and ending in Little Squam.

## SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

10:00 a.m. – Grand Street Parade started right after the Vintage Boat Parade.

Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011-  
Working horses displayed in  
the Grand Street Parade.



A New England tradition of logging with horses. This “light on the land” practice leaves the forest floor disturbed as little as possible, and minimizes damage to timber left standing.



Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011 –  
Mattatuck Fife and Drum Band participating in the Grand  
Street Parade.

# SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL CELEBRATION



## The Parade Continues:

Holderness Central School kids help celebrate and participate in the 250<sup>th</sup> festivities.



1919 Model-T Pick-Up

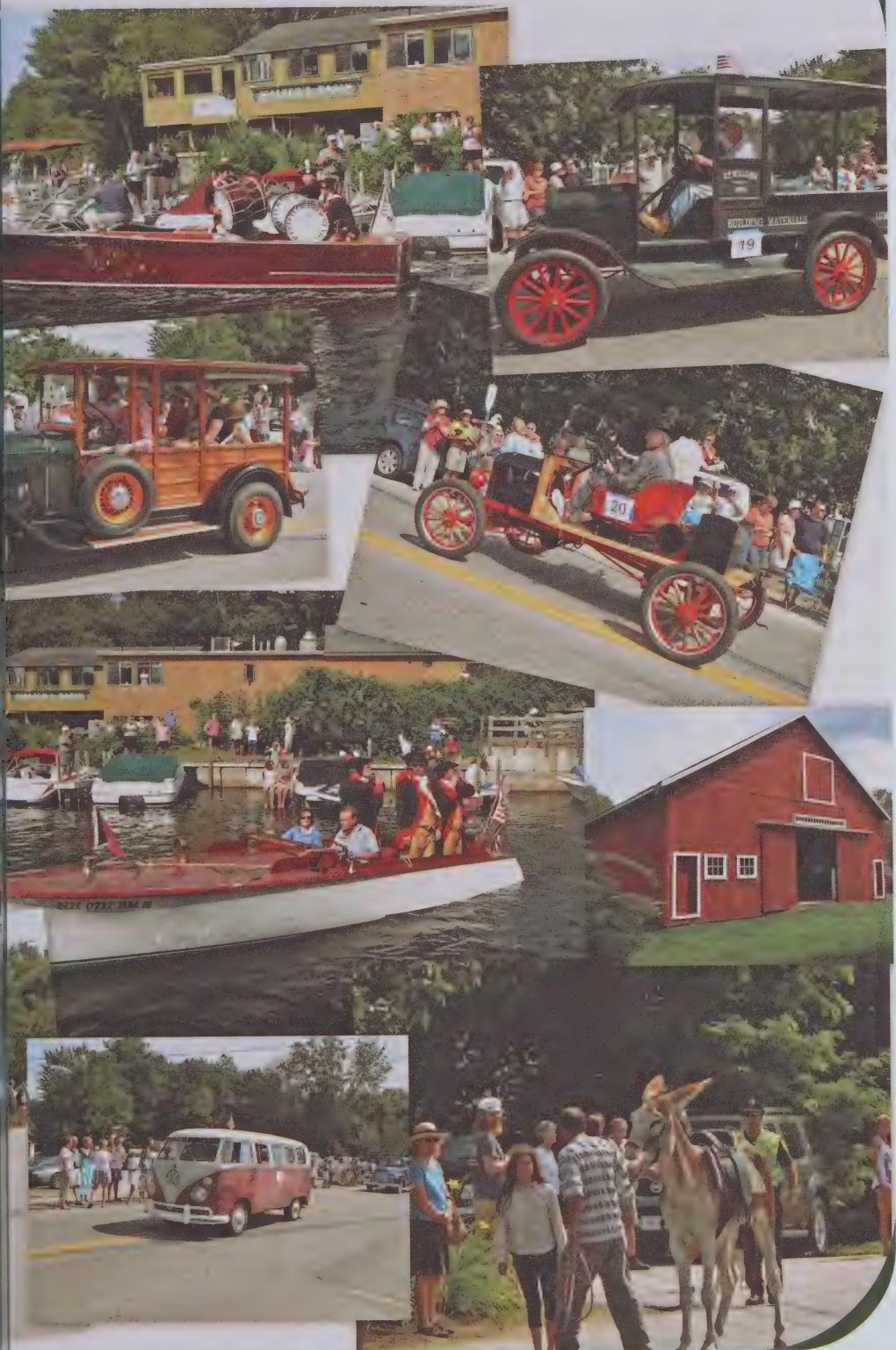
Beep, Beep coming through!

One of the many antique vehicles rolling through the Grand Parade.

# Holderness Celebrating 250



# 250 Years of Community 1761-2011



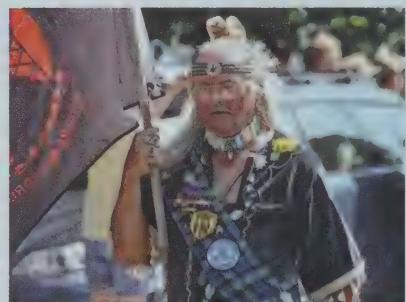
# SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL CELEBRATION



Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011-

Antique Snow Roller: When winter travel was by means of horse-drawn sleigh, and freight was transported on wagon bodies fitted w/ runners, snow was packed not plowed.

10:00-4:00 p.m. – The Market at  
Curry Place- Crafters & Food  
Vendors were set up.



State Senator Jeanne Forrester  
makes a cake float to wish Holderness  
a Happy 250<sup>th</sup> Birthday!

## SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL CELEBRATION



Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011 –

Oxen plow through the street of downtown Holderness.

1:00 p.m. – A presentation regarding “Changes in NH’s Wildlife in the last 250 years at the Science Center”.

3:00 p.m. – Famous Holderness Authors with Sid Lovett at the Library.



Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011 –

1923 Model T Delivery Truck cruising through the parade.

6:00 p.m. – Prof. David Stewart Smith, a nationally recognized authority of the Abenaki Natives, spoke at the Historical Society.

# SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

7:30-10:30 p.m. – Square Dancing at the Squam Lakes Association in the Fisher Family Activity Barn.



Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011 – Demonstration of how old beams were carved.

## Saturday, August 7, 2011: Festivities

8:00 a.m. – Remembrance Church Service w/ Sid Lovett giving thanks for the community.

Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011 – Rock wall demonstration by King Stone Masonry and Landscaping.



7:30-10:30 a.m. – Pancake Breakfast put on by the Holderness Fire Department.

2:00 p.m. – John Brooks, a Huron descendant, conducted a trail walk for “Feast at your Feet” and “the Three Sister Survival Vegetables”.

# SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

3:30 p.m. – The reading of the Town Charter

**Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011 – The Last Day of Festivities**

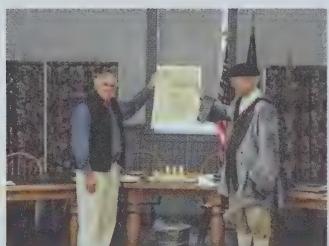
6:00 p.m. – Longhaul Farm – Dinner and “I remember when discussions.

## FIREWORKS OVER LITTLE SQUAM!



A fitting end to four days  
of celebrating 250 years of community  
in Holderness!!

The Town of Holderness recognized and  
celebrated with cake on October 24<sup>th</sup> the  
date the charter was signed.



**Thank you** to everybody  
who participated and made  
this event such a success!!

This flag was a gift from Gov. Lynch and it was flown over  
the State House in honor of our Semiquicentennial Celebration.

# **ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT - 2012**

---

## **TOWN OF HOLDERNESS ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MARCH 13 & 14, 2012**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Holderness, in the County of Grafton and the State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall on Tuesday the thirteenth day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the polls shall be opened and shall not close earlier than seven o'clock in the evening to act upon Articles 1 & 2 herein; the third and subsequent Articles to be acted upon commencing at seven thirty o'clock in the evening (or immediately following the annual school district meeting whichever comes later) of the following day, Wednesday, the fourteenth day of March, 2012, in the auditorium of the Holderness Central School.

**Article 1:** To choose all Town Officers by official ballot:

1 Selectmen	3 Year Term
1 Trustee of Trust Fund	3 Year Term
2 Library Trustee	3 Year Term
1 Fire Ward	3 Year Term
1 Supervisor of the Checklist	6 Year Term

**Article 2:** 2012 Proposed Zoning Ordinance Changes

To see how the Town will vote by official ballot on the proposed amendments, as recommended by the Planning Board, to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

**1.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 700.2 Structures to clarify the zoning rights associated with non-conforming structures existing prior to the adoption of zoning?

## **TOWN MEETING WARRANT – CONTINUED**

---

**2.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 700.3 Lots to clarify the zoning rights associated with non-conforming lots existing prior to the adoption of zoning?

**3.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 400.10 Sewage and Waste Disposal Systems to clarify that changes to a structure or change of use of a structure that will cause an increase or change of use in sewage and waste disposal must conform to state and local septic regulations?

**4.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Add Section 400.10.1 Gray Water Systems – which prohibits Gray Water systems?

**5.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 400.8.1.2 to clarify that setback requirements apply to wells?

**6.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 800.3 Variances – to be consistent with RSA 674:33 and 674:33-a?

**7.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Add a Definition for non-residential development to be consistent with Site Plan Regulations?

## **TOWN MEETING WARRANT - CONTINUED**

**8.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Add Definitions terms associated with Septic Systems (or Individual Septic Disposal Systems – ISDS) as defined by the NH Code of Administrative Rules Env-Wq?

**Article 3:** To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of all Town Officers and Committees.

**Article 4:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the budget committee recommended sum of Two Million and One Hundred and Fifty-nine Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,159,500) for general municipal operations. Said sum does not include special or individual articles elsewhere within this warrant.

**Recommended by the Selectmen; (5 yeas 0 nays) and Budget Committee; ( 5 yeas, 0 nays)**

**Article 5:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred and Sixty-five Thousand Dollars (\$365,000) to be placed into the following Capital Reserve Funds:

Fire/Rescue Vehicles	\$40,000
Road Reconstruction	150,000
White Oak Pond Dam	1,000
Transfer Station Equipment	2,000
Municipal Buildings	20,000
Revaluation	35,000
Library	10,000
Fire Equipment	6,000
Public Works Vehicles	45,000
Police Cruiser	24,000
Employee Health Insurance Trust	17,000
Conservation	5,000
Abatement Legal Defense Fund	<u>10,000</u>
	<b>\$365,000</b>

## **TOWN MEETING WARRANT – CONTINUED**

**Recommended by the Selectmen; (5 yeas 0 nays) and Budget Committee; ( 5 yeas, 0 nays).**

**Article 6:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred and Fifty-nine Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$359,100) for the following capital projects and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the Selectmen to withdraw the sums indicated from the following designated Capital Reserve Funds for these purposes:

Road Reconstruction	\$150,000
Revaluation	35,000
Fire/Rescue Vehicles	46,600
Library Improvements	10,000
Highway Department Vehicle	72,000
Police Cruiser	38,000
Fire Equipment	<u>7,500</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$359,100</b>

This is a special warrant article.

**Recommended by the Selectmen; (5 yeas 0 nays) and Budget Committee; (5 yeas, 0 nays)**

**Article 7** To see if the Town will vote to establish a Recreation Revolving Fund pursuant to RSA 35-B:2 II. The money received from fees and charges for recreation services and facilities shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered to be part of the general fund unreserved fund balance. The treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the board of selectmen and recreation director (no further legislative body approval required). These funds may be expended only for recreation purposes as stated in RSA 35-B, and no expenditure shall be made in such a way as to require the expenditure of other funds that have not been appropriated for that purpose.

## **TOWN MEETING WARRANT - CONTINUED**

---

- Article 8** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000) to be placed in the Emergency Management Non-capital Expendable Trust fund. Said amount to be taken from the FY2012 fund balance.
- Recommended by the Selectmen; (5 yeas 0 nays) and Budget Committee; ( 5 yeas, 0 nays)**
- Article 9** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$5,500) for the purchase of up to five new computer work stations for the town office. Said amount to be raised by taxation.
- Recommended by the Selectmen; (5 yeas 0 nays) and Budget Committee; ( 5 yeas, 0 nays)**
- Article 10** To see if the Town will vote to completely discontinue, per RSA 231:43, a section of the old Holderness – Plymouth Road on the present Holderness School campus beginning at the intersection with the west side of Route 175 then westerly along a portion of Chapel Lane to the intersection of South Campus Road and the section of Chapel Lane beginning at the intersection of the west side of Route 175 north of the frog pond to the intersection with South Campus Road, said discontinuance to extinguish all rights of public easement; further to authorize the Selectmen to provide a deed without covenants to the School, to confirm that the Town has no remaining interest in the road.
- Article 11** **WHEREAS**, the Town of HOLDERNESS currently has an existing electrical transmission line carry High Voltage Alternating Current (HVAC) through the town designated by Public Service Company of New Hampshire as Line X-178; and,

## **TOWN MEETING WARRANT – CONTINUED**

---

**WHEREAS**, the aforementioned transmission line is mounted on forty 40 to 50 foot tall wooden poles, some of which are below adjacent tree lines; and,

**WHEREAS**, the proposed Northern pass transmission line would carry 1200 Megawatts of High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) power generally south from Canada through New Hampshire, including through portions of the Town of HOLDERNESS, on visually damaging power lines hung from tall, intrusive steel towers at heights ranging from eighty (80') feet to one hundred and thirty (135') feet in the air, well above tree height; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Voters of the Town of HOLDERNESS have concluded that the Northern Pass transmission line, as it has been proposed, would cause significant degradation of real estate property values resulting in dramatic losses of property tax receipts, well in excess of any conceivable property tax revenues from levying tax assessments on the aforesaid towers and transmission lines; and,

**WHEREAS**, numerous other negative impacts from the aforesaid proposed Northern Pass transmission line will occur or can reasonably be expected to occur, over time, including, but not limited to:

- a. A significant drop in tourist visits, and consequently, revenues, as damages from the power lines to New Hampshire's natural scenic beauty will be a deterrent to people coming to the region.
- b. A drop in toll fees and New Hampshire gas tax revenues as motorists choose other routes into Northern New England, or worse, choose not to come at all.
- c. The strong possibility of negative health impacts from Electro Magnetic Fields (EMF's) radiating from 1200 Megawatt HVDC cables.
- d. A drop in business revenues, and consequently, a drop in employment at impacted businesses such as; ski areas,

## **TOWN MEETING WARRANT – CONTINUED**

---

restaurants, gas stations, construction firms, shops, stores, banks, real estate firms, to name just a few—all of which are heavily dependent upon visitors coming to the area.

**Therefore**, the undersigned citizens of HOLDERNESS, by petition, respectfully ask the town to adopt the following ordinance:

*Other than high voltage electrical transmission lines in existence as of the effective date of this ordinance, there shall be no further overhead development of alternating current or direct current high voltage transmission lines allowed within the borders of the Town of Holderness. All such future electrical power line corridors, and installed in a manner approved by the State of New Hampshire's Public Utility Commission and/or Department of Transportation. Distribution lines carrying electrical power and other utility lines such as telephone and cable television for local residential or commercial use may continue to be installed above ground, but under-grounding of such lines, is strongly recommended and encouraged.*

*This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage.*

**This article is by petition.**

**Article 12:** To see if the town will vote to adopt a Rights-Based Ordinance to protect the Health, Safety and Welfare of the Residents and Ecosystems of Holderness, NH, by establishing a Bill of Rights; by recognizing the Right to a Sustainable Energy Future and by Prohibiting the siting of new energy projects that violate the People's Right to a Sustainable Energy Future. A copy of the complete proposed ordinance is on file with the town clerks office.

**This article is by petition.**

## **TOWN MEETING WARRANT - CONTINUED**

**Article 13:** To transact any other business that can legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twelve

**HOLDERNESS  
BOARD OF  
SELECTMEN**

**Peter Webster, Chairman  
Christopher Devine, Vice-Chairman  
John Laverack  
Jill White  
Shelagh Connelly**

### **Cumulative Appropriations:**

<b>Article</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
<b>5 &amp; 8</b>	<b>\$ 372,000</b>	<b>To Capital Reserve Accounts</b>
<b>6 &amp; 9</b>	<b><u>\$ 364,600</u></b>	<b>Capital Outlay</b>
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 736,600</b>	
<b>4</b>	<b><u>\$2, 159,500</u></b>	<b>Operating Budget</b>
	<b>\$ 2, 896,100</b>	<b>Proposed Gross Budget</b>

# HOLDERNESS TOWN BUDGET 2012-2013

SOURCE OF REVENUE	ACTUAL REVENUE FISCAL YEAR July '10 - June '11	ESTIMATED REVENUE FISCAL YEAR July '11 - June '12	ESTIMATED REVENUE FISCAL YEAR July '12 - June '13
<b>REVENUE</b>			
<b>TAXES</b>			
LAND USE CHANGE TAXES	13,400	2,500	2,500
YIELD TAXES	11,514	3,500	4,500
IN LIEU OF TAXES	30,232	3,039	3,000
BOAT TAX	6,397	7,000	6,500
INTEREST & PENALTIES	44,321	30,000	35,000
EXCAVATION TAX	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>105,864</b>	<b>46,039</b>	<b>51,500</b>
<b>BUSINESS LICENSE AND PERMITS</b>			
BUS LICENSE & CABLE FEES	12,357	9,000	10,000
UCC FILINGS & CERTIFICATES	150	-	-
MOTOR VEHICLE PERMIT FEES	345,589	350,000	345,000
BUILDING PERMIT FEES	8,248	4,000	5,000
OTHER LICENSES, PERMITS, FEES	-	-	-
DOG LICENSES	3,273	2,500	2,500
MARRIAGE LICENSE	-	-	-
COPY FEES	1,226	800	800
VITAL RECORDS	2,350	1,500	1,500
OTHER LICENSES, PERMITS, FEES	368	200	200
SUB TOTAL	7,217	5,000	5,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>373,561</b>	<b>368,000</b>	<b>365,000</b>
<b>STATE &amp; FEDERAL</b>			
FEDERAL GRANTS/REIMBURSEMENT	20	-	-
SHARED REVENUE BLOCK GRANT	-	-	-
HIGHWAY BLOCK GRANT	71,209	71,000	62,697
ROOMS AND MEALS	88,998	85,000	94,154
OTHER GRANTS	35,799	-	25
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>196,026</b>	<b>156,000</b>	<b>156,876</b>

# HOLDERNESS TOWN BUDGET 2012-2013

SOURCE OF REVENUE	ACTUAL REVENUE FISCAL YEAR July '10 - June '11	ESTIMATED REVENUE FISCAL YEAR July '11 - June '12	ESTIMATED REVENUE FISCAL YEAR July '12 - June '13
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICE</b>			
<b>DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE</b>			
POLICE INCOME- GENERAL	9,003	4,500	5,000
POLICE INCOME-HSRO	44,526	45,000	47,700
RECREATION DEPARTMENT	30,887	32,090	37,050
BEACH INCOME	3,210	2,500	3,000
TRANSFER/WASTE INCOME	39,350	10,000	20,000
PLANNING INCOME	7,839	2,000	2,500
ZONING INCOME	2,141	1,000	1,200
FIRE INCOME	670	612	600
LIBRARY INCOME	2,485	2,000	1,000
TRANSFER STATION PERMITS	2,321	999	1,000
<b>SUB TOTAL</b>	<b>142,432</b>	<b>100,701</b>	<b>119,050</b>
SEWER USE CHARGES	6,179	3,800	5,300
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>148,611</b>	<b>104,501</b>	<b>124,350</b>
<b>OTHER INCOME</b>			
<b>SPECIAL ASSESSMENT</b>			
SALE OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY	700		
INTEREST-CHECKING & SAVING	688	600	600
INTEREST-INVESTMENTS	20,387	22,000	20,000
RETIREE INSURANCE REIMBURSE	9,815	10,224	12,074
INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT	524		
INSURANCE-EMPLOYEE SHARE	23,995	24,886	27,600
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	1,273	250	225
TRANSFER FROM CAPITAL RESERVE	289,898	192,500	359,100
LONG-TERM NOTE	350,000		-
DONATIONS & GIFTS	-		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>697,280</b>	<b>250,460</b>	<b>419,599</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,521,342</b>	<b>925,000</b>	<b>1,117,325</b>

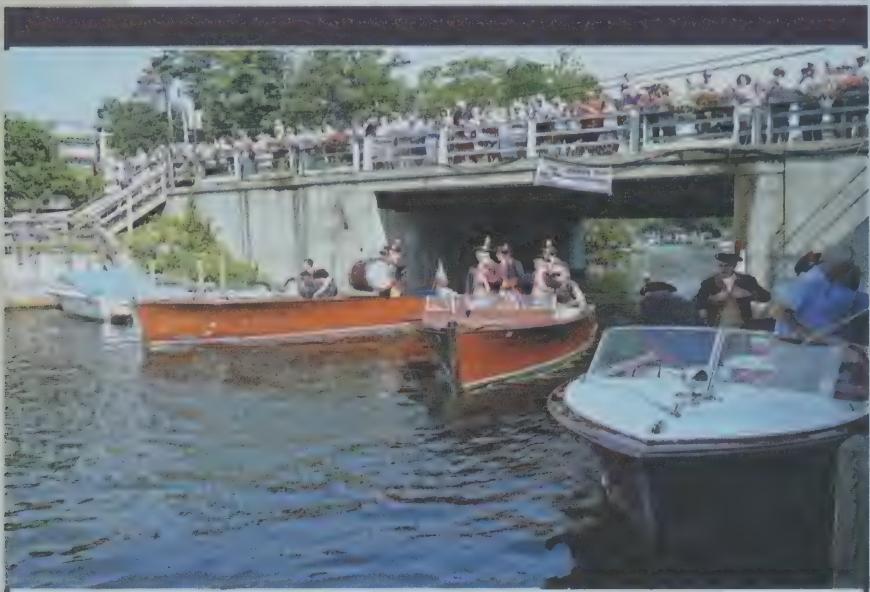
# HOLDERNESS TOWN BUDGET 2012-2013

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION (RSA 32:3, V)	ACTUAL EXPENDITURES FISCAL YEAR July '10 - June '11	VOTED APPROPRIATIONS FISCAL YEAR July '11 - June '12	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET FISCAL YEAR July '12 - June '13	BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED BUDGET FISCAL YEAR July '12 - June '13
SUMMARY OF EXPENSES				
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
EXECUTIVE	120,333	122,200	123,607	123,607
ELECTION, REGISTRATION & VITALS	60,379	69,500	74,000	74,000
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	65,656	61,500	63,650	63,650
REVALUATION OF PROPERTY	56,355	42,965	43,600	43,600
LEGAL EXPENSE	11,400	15,000	15,000	15,000
PERSONNEL BENEFITS	284,493	315,085	345,239	345,239
PLANNING/ZONING	30,115	23,300	18,450	18,450
GIS PROGRAM	5,038	6,500	7,000	7,000
GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDING	13,488	15,000	15,500	15,500
CEMETERIES	1,859	3,150	3,150	3,150
OTHER INSURANCE	25,595	25,900	26,098	26,098
PUBLIC SAFETY				
POLICE	388,799	388,500	410,115	410,115
AMBULANCE	40,833	45,050	46,675	46,675
FIRE	153,432	151,500	165,700	165,700
EMERGENCY MGMT/FLOOD PATROL	2,033	2,300	1,800	1,800
HIGHWAYS & STREETS				
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS	276,355	278,550	286,350	286,350
STREET LIGHTING	4,415	5,300	5,300	5,300
SANITATION				
SANITATION	147,247	195,000	176,525	176,525
SEWER	10,204	3,800	3,800	3,800
HEALTH/WELFARE				
COMPLIANCE/HEALTH	8,471	17,900	16,600	16,600
ANIMAL CONTROL	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
PUBLIC SERVICE	24,325	24,800	26,280	26,280
WELFARE	12,016	23,650	28,000	28,000
CULTURE/RECREATION				
PARKS AND RECREATION	50,726	55,900	58,900	58,900
BEACH	6,285	7,650	7,800	7,800
LIBRARY	106,972	114,200	117,400	117,400
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	793	4,000	1,200	1,200
CONSERVATION	850	2,700	3,425	3,425
DEBT SERVICE	65,175	62,800	66,836	66,836
TOTAL	1,975,142	2,085,200	2,159,500	2,159,500

# HOLDERNESS TOWN BUDGET 2012-2013

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION (RSA 32:3, V)	ACTUAL EXPENDITURES	VOTED APPROPRIATIONS	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED	BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED
	FISCAL YEAR July '10 - June '11	FISCAL YEAR July '11 - June '12	FISCAL YEAR July '12 - June '13	FISCAL YEAR July '12 - June '13
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>				
COMPUTER/SERVER			5,500	5,500
FIRE/RESCUE VEHICLES		<b>9,000</b>	<b>46,600</b>	<b>46,600</b>
WHITE OAK POND	250			
TRANSFER STATION CONSTRUCTION	345,368			
ROAD RECONSTRUCTION	104,170	<b>125,000</b>	<b>150,000</b>	<b>150,000</b>
POLICE CRUISER	32,384		38,000	38,000
LIBRARY	22,572	<b>5,000</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>10,000</b>
COMPACTOR 2010	12,559			
REVALUATION	21,179	<b>35,000</b>	<b>35,000</b>	<b>35,000</b>
FIRE EQUIPMENT			7,500	7,500
EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE	19,344			
PUBLIC WORKS VEHICLES	55,047		<b>72,000</b>	<b>72,000</b>
PUBLIC BUILDINGS IMPROVMENTS.	7,500	<b>18,500</b>		
ARRA ENERGY IMPROVEMENTS	20,771			
VILLAGE SIDEWALK	250			
GIS SOFTWARE	5,380			
ABATEMENT DEFENSE FUND	13,684			
<b>TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS</b>				
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
FIRE/RESCUE VEHICLES	35,000	35,000	40,000	40,000
TRANSFER STATION EQUIPMENT	5,000	2,500	2,000	2,000
ROAD RECONSTRUCTION	150,000	125,000	150,000	150,000
POLICE CRUISER	22,000	22,000	24,000	24,000
EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE	15,000	15,000	17,000	17,000
WHITE OAK POND	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
LIBRARY	10,000	5,000	10,000	10,000
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS	5,000	5,000	20,000	20,000
REVALUATION	32,000	35,000	35,000	35,000
FIRE EQUIPMENT	4,000	4,000	6,000	6,000
PUBLIC WORKS VEHICLES	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000
ABATEMENT LEGAL DEFENSE FUND	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND			7,000	7,000
HONOR ROLL MAINTENANCE FUND	2,500			
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	2,977,100	2,587,200	2,896,100	2,896,100
NET APPROPRIATION		2,394,700	2,537,000	2,537,000

NOTE: NET APPROPRIATION EQUALS TOTAL APPROPRIATION LESS CAPITAL OUTLAY ITEMS IN BOLD PRINT.  
THE ITEMS IN BOLD ARE FUNDED FROM THE CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNTS.



# School Reports

# **HOLDERNESS SCHOOL DISTRICT**

---

<b>School Board</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Carolyn Mello	2012
Bonni Acton	2012
Jonathan Stewart	2013
Jennifer Morris	2013
Joseph Casey	2014

**CLERK**

Sara Weinberg

**TREASURER**

Kathleen Whittemore

**MODERATOR**

Laura Rollison

**AUDITOR**

Grzelak and Associates

**SUPERINTENDENT**

Mark J. Halloran

**ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT**

Ethel F. Gaides

**ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT**

Kathleen A. Boyle

## **STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Holderness qualified to vote in District Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said District on the thirteenth day of March, 2012 at 10:00 in the morning to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
2. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

Polls will not close before 7:00 p.m.

Given under our hands at said Holderness the 27th day of February, 2012.

Bonni Acton  
Joseph Casey  
Carolyn Mello  
Jennifer Morris  
Jonathan Stewart

A true copy of warrant attest:

Bonni Acton  
Joseph Casey  
Carolyn Mello  
Jennifer Morris  
Jonathan Stewart

## SCHOOL WARRANT 2011

---

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Holderness in the County of Grafton, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote upon District Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Holderness Central School in said District on Wednesday the (14th) fourteenth day of March, 2012, at 6:30 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following subjects:

- Article 1: To see what action the School District will take relative to the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers.
- Article 2: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for the purchase of technology equipment and authorize the withdrawal of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) from the capital reserve fund created for that purpose. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.  
(Majority vote required)
- Article 3: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) for septic repairs and authorize the withdrawal of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) from the building capital reserve fund created for that purpose. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required)
- Article 4: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) to be placed in the previously established capital reserve fund for the purpose of technology upgrades. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.  
(Majority vote required)

## SCHOOL WARRANT 2011

- Article 5: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) to be placed in the previously established capital reserve fund for building renovations. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required)
- Article 6: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four million four hundred eighteen thousand eight hundred twenty-two dollars (\$4,418,822) for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials, employees and agents and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District, this sum does not include the sums found in Articles 2, 3, 4 and 5. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required)
- Article 7: To transact any further business which may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands this 28th day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and twelve.

Bonni Acton  
Joseph Casey  
Carolyn Mello  
Jennifer Morris  
Jonathan Stewart  
Holderness School Board

A true copy of warrant attest:

Bonni Acton  
Joseph Casey  
Carolyn Mello  
Jennifer Morris  
Jonathan Stewart  
Holderness School Board

# SCHOOL BUDGET 2012-2013

		Budget - School District of HOLDERNESS		FY 2013	
1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 323;V)	OP Bud. WARR. ART #	Expenditures for Year 7/1/10 to 6/30/11	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	School Board's Appropriations Ensuring Fiscal Year (Recommended) (Not Recommended)
	<b>INSTRUCTION</b>				Budget Committee's Approp. Ensuring Fiscal Year (Recommended) (Not Recommended)
1100-1199	Regular Programs		1,827,257	1,089,321	1,064,550
1200-1299	Special Programs	437,551	521,255	540,334	540,334
1300-1399	Vocational Programs				
1400-1499	Other Programs	57,511	51,214	56,820	56,820
1500-1599	Non-Public Programs				
1600-1899	Adult & Community Programs				
1700-1799	Community/Jr. College Ed. Programs				
1800-1899	Community Service Programs				
	<b>SUPPORT SERVICES</b>				
2000-2199	Student Support Services	256,781	279,230	288,087	288,087
2200-2299	Institutional Staff Services	122,883	133,707	135,723	135,723
	<b>GENERAL ADMINISTRATION</b>				
2310 840	School Board Contingency				
2310-2319	Other School Board	14,331	15,748	16,229	16,229
	<b>EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION</b>				
2320-310	SAU Management Services	182,204	194,849	201,392	201,392
2320-2399	All Other Administration				
2400-2499	School Administration Service	198,243	213,867	219,362	219,362
2500-2599	Business	207	500	500	500
2600-2699	Operation & Maintenance of Plant	314,956	338,280	357,916	357,916
2700-2799	Student Transportation	138,564	152,341	158,196	158,196
2800-2999	Support Service Central & Other				
	<b>NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES</b>				
3100	Food Service Operations		71,531	60,000	60,000
3200	Enterprise Operations				60,000

# SCHOOL BUDGET 2012-2013

Acct #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3 <i>v</i> )	OP Bud WARR ART.#	Expenditures for Year 7/1/10 to 6/30/11	Appropriations Current Year As Approved by DRA	School Board's Appropriations Ensuring Fiscal Year (Recommended)		Budget Committee's Approp. Ensuring Fiscal Year (Not Recommended)	
					6	7	8	9
<b>FACILITIES ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION</b>								
4100	Site Acquisition							
4200	Site Improvement							
4300	Architectural/Engineering							
4400	Educational Specification Develop.							
4500	Building Acquisition/Construction							
4600	Building Improvement Services			257,465	0	0	0	
4900	Other Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services							
<b>OTHER OUTLAYS</b>								
5110	Debt Service - Principal			237,108	237,108			237,108
5120	Debt Service - Interest			69,226	60,107	50,860		50,860
<b>FUND TRANSFERS</b>								
5220-5221	To Food Service		131,744	125,911	131,744		131,744	
5222-5229	To Other Special Revenue		54,310	45,400	1		1	
5230-5239	To Capital Projects							
5254	To Agency Funds							
5300-5399	Intergovernmental Agency Alloc.							
	SUPPLEMENTAL							
	DEFICIT							
	Operating Budget Total		4,371,872	4,318,838	4,418,822		4,418,822	

MS-27

Budget - School District of Holderness

FY 2012



# SCHOOL BUDGET 2012-2013

MS-27      Budget - School District of HOLDERNES      FY 2013

1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenues Current Year	Estimated Revenues ENSUING FISCAL YEAR
<b>REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES</b>					
1300-1349	Tuition		21,600	21,600	27,600
1400-1449	Transportation Fees				
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments		150	150	200
1600-1699	Food Service Sales				
1700-1799	Student Activities				
1800-1899	Community Services Activities				
1900-1999	Other Local Sources		31,100	31,418	37,178
<b>REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES</b>					
3210	School Building Aid		75,159	75,159	75,159
3215	Kindergarten Building Aid				
3220	Kindergarten Aid				
3230	Catastrophic Aid				
3240-3249	Vocational Aid				
3250	Adult Education				
3260	Child Nutrition				
3270	Driver Education				
3290-3299	Other State Sources				
<b>REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES</b>					
4100-4539	Federal Program Grants				
4540	Vocational Education				
4550	Adult Education				
4560	Child Nutrition		125,911	125,911	131,744
4570	Disabilities Programs				
4580	Medicaid Distribution		15,000	10,000	15,000
4590-4999	Other Federal Sources (except 4810)		45,400	45,400	24,700
4810	Federal Forest Reserve				
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>					
5110-5139	Sale of Bonds or Notes				
5221	Transfer from Food Service-Spec.Rev.Fund				
5222	Transfer from Other Special Revenue Funds				
5230	Transfer from Capital Project Funds				
5251	Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds		260,000	-	

# SCHOOL BUDGET 2012-2013

MS-27

Budget - School District of HOLDERNESS FY 2013

1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenues Current Year	Estimated Revenues ENSUING FISCAL YEAR
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES CONT.</b>					
5252	Transfer from Expendable Trust Funds				
5253	Transfer from Non-Expendable Trust Funds				
5300-5699	Other Financing Sources				
5140	This Section for Calculation of RAN's (Reimbursement Anticipation Notes) Per RSA 198:20-D for Catastrophic Aid Borrowing RAN, Revenue This FY _____ less RAN, Revenue Last FY _____ =NET RAN				
	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)				
	Voted From Fund Balance			-	
	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		40,750	51,363	-
	<b>Total Estimated Revenue &amp; Credits</b>		<b>615,070</b>	<b>361,001</b>	<b>311,581</b>

## \*\*BUDGET SUMMARY\*\*

	Current Year Adopted Budget	School Board's Recommended Budget	Budget Committee's Recommended Budget
<b>Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from page 3)</b>	<b>4,318,838</b>	<b>4,418,822</b>	<b>4,418,822</b>
<b>Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 4)</b>	<b>50,000</b>	<b>47,500</b>	<b>47,500</b>
<b>Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 4)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>TOTAL Appropriations Recommended</b>	<b>4,368,838</b>	<b>4,466,322</b>	<b>4,466,322</b>
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	361,001	311,581	311,581
Less: Amount of State Education Tax/Grant	0	0	0
<b>Estimated Amount of Local Taxes to be Raised For Education</b>	<b>4,007,837</b>	<b>4,154,741</b>	<b>4,154,741</b>

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18:   \$    
 (See Supplemental Schedule With 10% Calculation)

# **HOLDERNESS SCHOOL DISTRICT**

## **BALANCE SHEET- 2010-2011**

	General	Food Service	All Other	Capital Projects	Trust/ Agency
<b>Current Assets</b>					
Cash	192,866.63	(52,847.92)	(38,987.52)	0.00	0.00
Investments	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	163,225.86
Interfund Receivables	(59,247.55)	48,713.49	10,534.06	0.00	0.00
Intergov Receivables	105,221.97	4,387.09	36,445.61	0.00	0.00
Other Receivables	812.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Prepaid Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Assets	239,653.81	252.66	7,992.15	0.00	163,225.86
<b>Current Liabilities</b>					
Interfund Payables	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Intergovernment Payables	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Payables	8,614.29	252.66	7,992.15	0.00	0.00
Accrued Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Payroll Deductions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Deferred Revenues	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Liabilities	8,614.29	252.66	7,992.15	0.00	0.00
<b>Fund Equity</b>					
Res for Encumbrances	179,676.86	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Res for Special Purposes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	163,225.86
Unreserved Fund Balance	51,362.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Fund Equity	231,039.52	0.00	0.00	0.00	163,225.86
<b>Total Liability &amp; Fund Equity</b>	<b>239,653.81</b>	<b>252.66</b>	<b>7,992.15</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>163,225.86</b>

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT 2011-2012**

---

As we enter 2012, we would like to follow up our report from last year on the work all of our teachers and administrators are doing to transition to the Common Core Standards adopted by the New Hampshire State Board of Education.

SAU#48 teachers are continuing the work of aligning the current SAU curriculum in English language arts and mathematics to the common core standards. This is in preparation for a new mandatory standardized test planned for the spring of 2014 for students in grades 3-8 and high school juniors. The common core standards allow K-12 educators to work together to hold all students accountable to the same standards. 21<sup>st</sup> century technology and media skills are integrated throughout the common core in order to prepare our students for future academic and workforce training programs.

In January, K-8 teachers from all SAU#48 schools attended SAU day, an in-service program for professional development, held at Plymouth Elementary School. The focus for the day was innovative technology and new strategies to support our teachers. Many teachers and specialists from SAU#48 schools were presenters of engaging practices currently being used in our schools. Most importantly, grade level teachers, content teachers, and specialists from the seven elementary schools were able to share ideas and identify best practices.

Our educators have the opportunity to integrate learning skills, 21<sup>st</sup> century tools and core subject to create a vibrant education for their students. SAU #48's technology committee continue to rise to the challenges of examining local learning goals, curriculum, teaching tools, instructional proactive and students assessments to make sure they are aligned in support of 21<sup>st</sup> century skills. SAU #48's professional development committee support teachers and administrators with professional development opportunities that prepare educators to teach 21<sup>st</sup> century skills through on-site and local workshops.

In a digital world, our students need to learn to use the tools that are essential to everyday life and workplace productivity. Literacy in the 21<sup>st</sup> century means more than basic reading, writing and

computing skills. It means knowing how to use knowledge and skills in the context of modern life. As writer Alvin Toffler points out, “The illiterate of the 21<sup>st</sup> century will not be those who cannot read and write, but those who cannot learn, unlearn and relearn.” We believe that integrating Information Communication Technology (ICT) literacy into core subject areas is the best way to teach. The next generation of learners will graduate into a world that demands knowledge and skills very different from their parents and even older siblings.

As we have stated before, all of our students, faculty and staff know how fortunate we are to live and work within the communities that make up SAU #48. Please know that your support and generosity are never taken for granted.

If there is any way our office can help you, please do not hesitate to contact us. Our web site, [www.sau48.org](http://www.sau48.org), can also guide you to an incredible amount of information.

Again, thank you for your continued support.

Mark Halloran  
Superintendent

Ethel Gaides  
Assistant Superintendent

Kathy Boyle  
Assisstant Superintendent

# **HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL**

## *Nurse's Annual Report*

Barbara Laverack was central to developing an expanded dental services program to Holderness Central School students. For a dozen years, Mrs. Laverack provided dental screenings to each student and gave them additional access to dental services on campus and/or connected families to community dental care providers. Kudos, Mrs. Laverack!



New to the HCS campus is Ruth Doane, a dental hygienist associated with Speare Hospital. Mrs. Doane initiated dental services in December 2011 and will return to our campus in May. Welcome to HCS, Mrs. Doane.

At the annual Red Cross Blood Drive in June 2011, 69 units of blood were collected. Please join friends and neighbors on June 1, 2012 to donate blood as Blood Saves Lives. Watch for information to schedule an appointment for blood donation or to volunteer for support functions.

Please be in touch with questions and concerns related to health and wellness.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruthann KlineSmith, R.N.  
School Nurse

# **HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL**

## ***Principal's Annual Report***

---



Holderness Central School continues to take pride in the tradition of offering an educational experience driven by strong academics combined with an integrated Unified Arts program. The start of the school year was an exciting time at HCS as we embraced the celebration of the town's 250<sup>th</sup> birthday. It began in the summer with students from HCS marching in the town parade and concluded with a performance in the fall titled "Holderness 250<sup>th</sup>". This year's school theme honored the town and was the foundation to the Artist in Residence program (AIR), which included students in grades 6-8. This year's AIR experience portrayed the history of Holderness. Using resources within our town, the students created a script performing a theatrical production based upon the famous events of Holderness. The Artist in Residence program, which occurs every three years for students in middle school, remains an integral part of the middle school experience. This year was no exception.

The Middle School provides a rigorous academic program designed to meet the needs of our middle level learners to prepare students for life beyond HCS. The team model is the approach teachers use to meet the academic and social needs of our middle school students. The Middle School offers a variety of learning experiences as students make their transition from sixth to eighth grade. These include Advisory, Academic Fair, Enrichment (Reading), Algebra I, French I and a variety of social opportunities. Our lower grade teachers focus on literacy development. The implementation of full day Kindergarten has been a bonus in this particular area. Our primary students continue to benefit from the small class sizes. In addition to the strength and hard work

of our core teachers, the Unified Arts Program at HCS remains a vital piece to the overall education for the children of Holderness. The music program has experienced tremendous growth, especially in grades 5 – 8, where we have a participation rate of 95% in band and chorus programs.

Holderness Central School continues to embrace the challenges facing public education. In response, HCS has initiated the process of developing a strategic plan. This plan will guide our school for the next five years.

In closing, communication is a focal point of my leadership at Holderness Central School. I would like to express my appreciation to the parents and the Holderness Community for their support throughout the school year. I remain committed to the community and Holderness Central School, making it a special place for children to learn and grow.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. Van Bennekum, Principal

# **HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 9, 2011**

---

The annual Holderness School District meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Moderator Laura Rollison. Mrs. Rollison led the Pledge of Allegiance, introduced members of the School Board and reviewed the ground rules for the District Meeting.

**Article 1:** To see what action the School District will take relative to the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers.

Moved by Margaret "Peg" Winton, seconded by Suzanne Peoples. A voice vote was taken and the article passed unanimously.

**Article 2:** To see if the School District will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Holderness School Board and the Holderness Support Staff Association which calls for the following increases in salary and benefits.

Year	Estimated Increase
2011-2012	\$6,159.00
2012-2013	\$6,366.00
2013-2014	\$6,585.00

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand one hundred fifty-nine dollars (\$6,159.00) for the 2011-2012 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels in accordance with the most recent collective bargaining agreement. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee recommends (5 votes yes, 0 votes no) this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Moved by Malcolm "Tink" Taylor, seconded by Martha Richards. Sally Fellows asked how many positions this includes. Board member Joe Casey answered 9 full time support staff. This article also includes a pay raise for support staff to offset the loss of free lunches on days when there is a field trip or other prevention to receive this contracted benefit. A voice vote was taken and the article passed.

**Article 3:** To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the previously established capital reserve fund for the purpose of

technology upgrades. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee recommends (5) votes yes, 0 votes no) this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Moved by Malcolm "Tink" Taylor, seconded by Nancy Ruhm. Martha Richards asked how many computers will be replaced. Principal William Van Bennekum explained that this would include the 23 computers in the main lab along with 4 to 5 in each classroom. A voice vote was taken and the article passed.

**Article 4:** To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) to be placed in the previously established capital reserve fund for building renovations. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee recommends (5 votes yes, 0 votes no) this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Moved by Suzanne Peoples, seconded by Nancy Ruhm. Amanda Loud asked how much money is already in the capitol reserve fund and what are the future plans for these funds. Board member Jonathan Stewart answered that there is \$73,000 already in the capitol reserve and the next project will include replacing the septic system. A voice vote was taken and the article passed.

**Article 5:** To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four million three hundred twelve thousand six hundred seventy-nine dollars (\$4,312,679) for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials, employees an agents and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District, this sum does not include the sums found in Articles 2, 3, and 4. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee recommends (3 votes yes, 2 votes no) this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Moved by Margaret "Peg" Winton, seconded by Dan Rossner. Dan Rossner made a motion to amend the operating budget with an increase of \$75,180 to be segregated as a retirement contingency account in line 5221-931 in the event that the state government changes its retirement formula subsequent to the adoption of this budget. Seconded by Bob Thompson. Dan Rossner expressed concern that the state will lower its share of the Teachers Retirement System. Kay Hanson asked what happens if this amendment does not pass. Board member Joe Casey answered that a cut in the state's

share of the Teachers Retirement System could impact the budget. School Administrative Unit Business Manager Dick Petrin said if the

motion passes, the money would be placed in the general fund and segregated in the budget. Andy Hancock stated that the School District could petition the court to hold a special School District meeting should the state decide to pass retirement costs to the district. Laurie Beeson said the school could also seek a loan to cover the unanticipated costs. Ross Deachman noted that this amendment may not be necessary as the legislature would have to make provisions for over 200 school districts in the state. Martha Richards asked for the full dollar amount of this article with the proposed amendment. Board member Joe Casey answered that it would be \$4,368,838 should this amendment pass. Linda Gray said that state employees are not receiving any pay increase and must agree to one or two unpaid furlough days a month. Dan Rossner altered his amendment to include a specific date. The new motion is to amend the operating budget with an increase of \$75,180 to be segregated as a retirement contingency account in line 5221-931 in the event that the state government changes its retirement formula subsequent to the adoption of this budget prior to July 31, 2011. The result of the standing vote on the amended article was 35 yes, 64 no. Motion failed. Declaring that the amended article failed, the Moderator directed the meeting to return to the main motion. A voice vote was taken and the article passed.

**Article 6:** To transact any further business which may legally come before the meeting.

Rich Cocchiaro stated that he represents a group of Holderness citizens that have expressed concern about the school budget as it relates to salaries, tenure, retirement and health care. Mr. Cocchiaro went on to say that these expenses have been rising steadily over the last few years while the Holderness student population has been decreasing and the town budget has remained relatively flat. Rich Cocchiaro noted that about 50% of our property taxes go to support the school. He urged anyone who is interested in exploring the facts related to the school budget to contact him. With no further business to come before the meeting, a motion was accepted to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara M. Weinberg  
School District Clerk, Holderness

**HOLDERNESS SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Special Education Actual Expenditure Report**

	<u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>2009/2010</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>2010/2011</u>
Expenditures	\$621,369	\$641,234
Revenues	\$113,421	\$111,854
Net Expenditures	<u>\$507,948</u>	<u>\$529,380</u>
\$ increase/decrease		\$21,432
% Increase/decrease		4.22%



# Other Reports

# AUDITOR'S REPORT

---



## PLODZIK & SANDERSON

*Professional Association/Accountants & Auditors*

193 North Main Street • Concord • New Hampshire • 03301-5063 • 603-225-6996 • FAX- 603-224-1380

### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen  
Town of Holderness  
Holderness, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, major general fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Holderness as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Holderness' management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

As discussed in Note 15 to the financial statements, management has not recorded the long-term costs of retirement health care and obligations for other postemployment benefits in governmental activities. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that those costs be recorded, which would increase the liabilities and expenses of the governmental activities. The amount by which this departure would affect the liabilities, net assets, and expenses of the governmental activities is not reasonably determinable.

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding paragraph, the government-wide financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the governmental activities of the Town of Holderness as of June 30, 2011, or the changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended.

In addition, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the major general fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Holderness as of June 30, 2011, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis (pages 3 through 8) and the budgetary comparison information (page 15) be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Holderness' basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund financial schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. The combining and individual fund financial schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of

## AUDITOR'S REPORT - Continued

---

*Town of Holderness  
Independent Auditors Report*

the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the financial schedules themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

January 23, 2012

*Blodzik & Sanderson  
Professional Association*

# TOWN OF HOLDERNESS- BALANCE SHEET

*EXHIBIT C-1  
TOWN OF HOLDERNESS, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
Governmental Funds  
Balance Sheet  
June 30, 2011*

	General	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,975,232	\$ 17,954	\$ 3,993,186
Investments	250,543	14,020	264,563
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectible:			
Taxes	1,338,986	-	1,338,986
Accounts	4,431	-	4,431
Voluntary tax liens	19,135	-	19,135
Voluntary tax liens reserved until collected	(19,135)	-	(19,135)
Tax deeded property (subject to resale)	5,138	-	5,138
Cash - restricted	3,820	-	3,820
Investments - restricted	547,394	-	547,394
Total assets	<u><u>\$ 6,125,544</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 31,974</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 6,157,518</u></u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 11,449	\$ -	\$ 11,449
Accrued salaries and benefits	6,338	-	6,338
Contract payable	45,022	-	45,022
Intergovernmental payable	3,600,549	-	3,600,549
Deferred revenue	1,037,232	-	1,037,232
Total liabilities	<u><u>4,700,590</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>4,700,590</u></u>
Fund balances:			
Nonspendable:			
Tax deeded property	5,138	-	5,138
Permanent fund (principal balance)	-	4,750	4,750
Committed:			
Expendable trust funds	525,763	-	525,763
Assigned:			
Encumbrances	90,541	-	90,541
Police detail	-	17,954	17,954
Permanent fund (income balance)	-	9,270	9,270
Unassigned	803,512	-	803,512
Total fund balances	<u><u>1,424,954</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 31,974</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,456,928</u></u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u><u>\$ 6,125,544</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 31,974</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 6,157,518</u></u>

## CADY ANNUAL REPORT

On behalf of Communities for Alcohol- and Drug-free Youth, I would like to express our deep appreciation to the citizens of Holderness for your 2011 appropriation to youth substance abuse prevention.

Since 1999, CADY has been turning problems into solutions by shattering myths around illicit substances with science-based facts, evidence-based programming, trainings, community education and outreach, collaboration, and several important youth initiatives.

If you are a mom, dad, grandparent, aunt or uncle, or someone who works with or cares about kids, then you have cause for concern. Earlier this year, the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse declared "**teen smoking, drinking, misusing prescription drugs and using illegal drugs a public health problem of epidemic proportions.**" Clearly, our country is facing some grave times—and so is our state: New Hampshire ranks third highest in underage drinking and second lowest in funding for substance abuse prevention. Youth, drugs, and alcohol just don't mix for many reasons, including: health and safety risks; teen brains and bodies are still developing; academic problems; injury; unsafe sex; drunk driving; juvenile crime and arrest; assault and victimization; addiction; suicide attempts; and in some tragic situations, even death. Unfortunately, we are trending in the wrong direction on the local level regarding youth substance use as well and in the last year, juvenile petitions to Plymouth District Court and Family Division have doubled; referrals to our Restorative Justice Court Diversion program have increased by 40%.

The current situation is compelling and urgent. During these challenging economic times, there is real cause for concern. This June the State of New Hampshire eliminated all funding for direct-service prevention programming, including court diversion. With this devastating loss of state funding threatening the continued existence of our services, we turned to our towns for help and you responded—thank you! To sustain vital services we need comprehensive local solutions—today more than ever, it takes a

community to prevent youth substance use and juvenile delinquency.

In the face of these challenges we remain strong and undaunted; this year we have mobilized smarter more creative solutions and together with our community partners, staff, and volunteers have accomplished some amazing outcomes:

- we worked with local partners to narrow funding gaps by holding four fundraisers;
- sponsored leadership conferences for over 200 youth from the Pemi-Baker region;
- provided 25 youth the opportunity to build pre-employment skills and earn their first paycheck as part of the year-round LAUNCH Youth Entrepreneurship Program;
- reclaimed the futures of 28 youth through the CADY Restorative Justice Court Diversion program;
- sponsored two youth suicide prevention trainings for over 60 local caregivers and community-based providers;
- empowered many local parents with the knowledge and tools they need to help prevent substance use and provided needed support to help guide good choices;
- continued our media campaign along with several other important initiatives.

Thank you Holderness for your ongoing commitment and investment in children and youth—your contribution will inform, educate, engage and empower positive choices. CADY's top priority is the health and safety of our youth and that begins with protecting them from the harms of underage drinking and illegal substances. We cannot continue making important change without community partnership— together we will make a powerful difference and create a legacy of promise for our most vulnerable children and youth.

Sincerely,

*Debra A. Naro  
Executive Director*

# EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR



## Raymond S. Burton

338 River Road  
Bath, NH 03740  
Tel. (603) 747-3662  
Car Phone (603) 481-0863  
E-mail: [ray.burton@myfairpoint.net](mailto:ray.burton@myfairpoint.net)

*Executive Councilor  
District One*

### REPORT TO THE PEOPLE 2011 Ray Burton, Executive Councilor

Writing this report to the citizens of District One is always an interesting undertaking to try to condense on one page a quick look at where your NH State government might be headed in 2011 and the years ahead.

There have been significant changes in the membership of the Legislature and Executive Council at the NH State House. This coupled with a serious lack of money to accomplish basic needs as currently being delivered will certainly present challenges for NH House and Senate members. My suggestion is to stay in close touch with your local Senators and House Members. To find your local State Senator and House Members go to: <http://gencourt.state.nh.us/house/members/wml.aspx>

Another good source for information is your local library or Town/City Clerks Office.

This is the planning year for the 10 year transportation plan. Highway, rail, aviation, and public transportation projects are all a part of the hearing process that the five Executive Council members will be holding. Hearings are held in each of our Districts. Local information from the area regional planning commissions is key to having successful projects included in the proposed plan which is delivered by law to the Governors desk by December 15, 2011 and then by law to the NH House and Senate by January 2012.



#### Towns in Council District #1

##### CARROLL COUNTY:

Albany, Bartlett,  
Chatham, Conway, Eaton,  
Effingham, Freedom, Haverhill,  
Jackson, Madison, Moultonborough,  
Ossipee, Sandwich, Tamworth,  
Tilton, Wakefield, Wolfeboro,

##### GRAFTON COUNTY:

Alexandria, Ashland, Bath,  
Benton, Bethlehem, Bridgewater,  
Bristol, Campton, Canaan,  
Dorchester, Easton, Ellsworth,  
Enfield, Franconia, Grafton,  
Groton, Hanover, Haverhill,  
Hebron, Holderness, Landaff,  
Lebanon, Lempster, Lisbon,  
Livermore, Littleton, Lincoln,  
Lyme, Monroe, Orange, Orford  
Pembroke, Plymouth, Rumney,  
Sugar Hill, Thornton, Warren,  
Waterville Valley, Wentworth,  
Woodstock

##### BELKNAP COUNTY:

Alton, Belmont, Center Harbor,  
Gillford, Laconia, Meredith,  
New Hampton, Sanbornton, Tilton

I cannot emphasize enough the urging of local citizens to volunteer for the dozens of volunteer boards and commissions which the Governor and Council are required to find individuals to serve on. For a list of those commissions go to: <http://www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm>. If you are interested in serving send your letter of interest and resume to Jennifer Kuzma, Governors Office, 107 North Main St., Concord, NH 03301. Tel: 603 271-2121.

There are three District Health Councils in District One that meet 3 times a year to hear directly from the Commissioner of Health and Human Services. If you are interested in being added to this list send your email address to me at [ray.burton@myfairpoint.net](mailto:ray.burton@myfairpoint.net).

As always, my office has a supply of NH Constitutions, official tourist maps and other information about the Executive Council. I am always available to speak with local groups.

It is an honor to represent your region.

##### COOS COUNTY:

Berlin, Carroll, Clarksville,  
Colebrook, Columbia, Dalton,  
Divville, Dummer, Errol,  
Gorham, Jefferson, Lancaster,  
Milan, Millfield, Northumberland,  
Pittsburg, Randolph, Shelburne,  
Stewartstown, Stark, Stratford,  
Whitefield

##### SULLIVAN COUNTY:

Charlestown, Claremont, Cornish,  
Croydon, Grantham, Newport  
Plainfield, Springfield, Sunapee



---

The appropriation we received from the Town of Holderness' 2011 budget helped us support the cost of providing emergency mental health care to the residents of your town.

During Fiscal Year 2011 (July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011), a total of **34 Holderness residents** came to Genesis Behavioral Health seeking behavioral health care. We provided Emergency Services to **4 Holderness residents** in Fiscal Year 2011.

The mission of Genesis Behavioral Health is to provide direct services that enhance the emotional and mental health of our communities. We work with children, families, adults and older adults to help them recover from mental illness. Improving one's mental health benefits the individual as well as the community in which they live.

Genesis Behavioral Health provides a variety of medically necessary services that help people with mental illness increase their participation in the community. Mental health treatment helps people foster fulfilling, strong relationships, maintain stable employment and contribute to the good of the community. We work with your police and fire departments, as well as local hospitals, to provide Emergency Services 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to **any resident of Holderness** experiencing a mental health crisis, regardless of their ability to pay.

Community matters in community mental health. Support from the Town of Holderness is an essential component of our funding and is critical to the sustainability of the Emergency Services program. Genesis Behavioral Health improved the health and quality of life for 3,270 individuals in our region in Fiscal Year 2011. On behalf of all of them, we thank you.

Sincerely,

Margaret M. Pritchard  
Executive Director

# GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS' COUNCIL

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. is a private nonprofit organization that provides programs and services to support the health and well being of our communities' older citizens. The Council's programs enable elderly individuals to remain independent in their own homes and communities for as long as possible.

The Council operates eight senior centers in Plymouth, Littleton, Canaan, Lebanon, Bristol, Orford, Haverhill and Lincoln; operates adult in-home care from offices in Lebanon and Haverhill; and sponsors the Grafton County ServiceLink Resource Center and RSVP and the Volunteer Center. Through the centers, ServiceLink and RSVP, Older adults and their families take part in a range of community-based long-term services including home delivered meals, community dining programs, transportation, counseling, elder care, chore/home repair services, recreational and educational programs, and volunteer opportunities.

During 2011, 113 older residents of Holderness were served by one or more of the Council's programs offered through the Plymouth Regional Senior Center; twenty-three were assisted by ServiceLink:

- Older adults from Holderness enjoyed 1,594 balanced meals in the company of friends in the Plymouth center's dining room.
- They received 1,198 hot, nourishing meals delivered to their homes by caring volunteers.
- Holderness residents were transported to health care providers or other community resources on 829 occasions by our lift-equipped buses.
- They received assistance with problems, crises or issues of long-term care through 50 visits with a trained outreach worker and 45 contacts with ServiceLink.
- Holderness's citizens also volunteered to put their talents and skills to work for a better community through 1,381 hours of volunteer service.

The cost to provide council services for Holderness residents in 2011 was \$36,457.07.

Such services can be critical to elderly individuals who want to remain in their own homes and out of institutional care in spite of chronic health problems and increasing physical frailty, saving tax dollars that would otherwise be expended for nursing home care. They also contribute to a higher quality of life for older friends and neighbors. As our population grows older, supportive services such as those offered by the Council become even more critical. Holderness' population over age 60 increased by 89.2% over the past 20 years, according to U.S. Census data from 1990 to 2010.

Grafton Count Senior Citizens Council very much appreciates Holderness's support for our programs that enhance the independence and dignity of older citizens and enable them to meet the challenges of aging in the security and comfort of their own communities and homes.

Roberta Berner, Executive Director

## HOLDERNESS 250<sup>TH</sup> CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

---

It is said that true success is measured by the qualifications of those appointed to do the job. Last August it had to be the many volunteers who pulled together four of the most glorious days in the celebration of our 250<sup>th</sup> birthday. Not since 1761 has there been so much concentrated purpose!

What a weekend August, 5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> turned out to be! A Friday afternoon Science Center folk concert kicked things off, followed by an evening of street dancing at Little Church Theatre with the band "Postage Due" performing.

The next morning started with a gathering of Abenaki Native descendants and was then followed by a grand street parade, featuring the fifes and drums of the Mattatuck Band from Waterbury, CT (the nation's oldest). Long missed, they are no strangers in Holderness. With over fifty marching units and floats, spectators were four-deep along the parade route. Then, as crafters settled in at Curry Market Place a vintage boat flotilla was launched from Cotton Cove for viewing from the riverbank to under the bridge as each craft was announced to the crowd.

Special programs were held throughout the weekend: local wildlife in the 18<sup>th</sup> century, early native and settler life in (New) Holderness, famous authors, a feast at your feet trail walk and a grand tour of historic homes and sites in town and Ashland (once Holderness). A letter from Holderness, England's Member of Parliament wished us well as did another from the White House. Proclamations also came from our own legislature and governor. A five-month search for the original King's charter establishing New Holderness, was located and placed on display. Saturday evening there was a square dance held in the Squam Lakes Association's new barn.

An early Sunday morning Community Church remembrance service was followed by a fantastic fire house pancake spread, more open houses and, toward dusk, an old fashioned Anglican vespers service with bagpipes in Trinity Chapel, the state's oldest church, where town founder Samuel Livermore happens to be buried. This was followed by a reception in Livermore Hall (where else?) at Holderness School. After a Longhaul Farm meal of 18<sup>th</sup>

century dietary basics and an evening to recall "how it was back when," our celebration was concluded with fireworks spectacular launched out over Little Squam to the accompaniment of a floating Sousa (Baker Valley) brass band. Now there are enough memories to go all around!

It is no accident that both Sandwich and Plymouth have asked for our counsel and advice as they approach their own 250<sup>th</sup> celebrations for we are now known as a town that really knows how to throw a birthday party.



But wait. The party has not ended. The Central School held a commemorative play in September. Additional histories are being written to our website: [www.Holderness250.org](http://www.Holderness250.org) and research continues. So be on the lookout for more.

Meanwhile...thanks to you all for such a great time!

Respectfully submitted,  
Tink Taylor, Chairman  
(Alias Squire Livermore)

# HOLDERNESS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

---

The Holderness Historical Society thanks the town and our members for financial support. This year we provided several popular programs with hundreds of people attending. Several hundred people toured the museum. We have maintained and upgraded our museum; we were intricately involved with Holderness 250th, and preserved more of our town's history. We celebrated our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, having been founded in 1961 and our building was built 150 years ago in 1861. It has been a historic year!

## Programs

- ❖ Cows and Communities - Steve Taylor \*\*\*
  - ❖ Wacky Songs That Made Us Laugh - Calvin Knickerbocker - Runaway Wives - Marcia Schmidt Blaine \*\*\*
  - ❖ Documentary Preview "Our Squam, a Look Back..." - Judy Warren
  - ❖ Cemetery Tour - NH Old Graveyard Association
- \*\*\* Supported by New Hampshire Humanities Council

## Museum Building

- ❖ Dealt with the many problems of historic buildings.
- ❖ Installed a Force Draft Blower on our boiler.

## Historical Projects

- ❖ Produced biannual Newsletter with articles of local history including *Holderness 250<sup>th</sup>* and *Holderness Celebrated Its 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary*.
- ❖ Provided help with genealogy research on Holderness residents.
- ❖ Sold books and old maps of Squam Lake and Holderness.

## Community

- ❖ Served as the headquarters and information center for Holderness 250<sup>th</sup> during the four day celebration.
- ❖ Partnered with the Holderness Library to present programs sponsored by the New Hampshire Humanities Council.
- ❖ Members of our board updated and enhanced the driving tour that was created 50 years ago.
- ❖ Hosted the White Oak Pond Watershed Association. Our

- ❖ large meeting room and kitchen are available free of charge to Holderness community groups.
- ❖ Provided school tours of the museum in May and September to third graders of the Holderness Central School who created a scavenger hunt for visitors to the museum.
- ❖ Worked with Flowers on the Bridge.

### **Future**

- ❖ We will continue to be a seasonal organization with public programs and meetings May through September.
- ❖ School tours will continue to be available in June and September.
- ❖ We will complete the cataloging of all our books and pamphlets to make research simpler and create a library area that will allow people to research families, cemeteries, camps, historical events, and places.

**The Holderness Historical Society needs more volunteers to help preserve the history of our town.**

Respectfully Submitted,

### **Officers**

Linda Foerderer	- President
Mark Marden	- Vice President
Missy Mason	- Treasurer
Joyce Rogers	- Secretary

### **Directors**

Dodie Greenwood
Susan Kemp
Jacqueline Marden
Cynthia Murray
Mary Elizabeth Nielsen
Connie Ross



*A few of many artifacts displayed at the Historical Society.*

## **INTER-LAKES DAYCARE CENTER**

In the fall of 2011, Inter-Lakes Day Care Center celebrated its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary, as pictured below, with balloons and cake. Having served thousands of children and two generations of families, the board and staff of I-LDCC believe that high quality child care is important to lifelong learning and has a lasting impact on later success in life. Thank you to the Town of Holderness for their wholehearted support in this endeavor!

Inter-Lakes Day Care Center and Nursery School is a non-profit, licensed, tax-exempt community child care and education agency, incorporated in 1971, that provides exceptional and affordable, early care and education to a diverse group of children from six weeks through twelve years of age. Inter-Lakes Day Care

Center promotes child development and family support for working parents through comprehensive infant, toddler, preschool, and school age developmentally appropriate curriculum, engaging children in activities that develop language and literacy through interactions, experiences, and relationships with peers and teachers, beginning at birth. I-LDCC has always had a deep concern for the well-being of the whole child while providing a stress-free, stable environment. The State of New Hampshire recognizes I-LDCC as a Strengthening Families Center and a Licensed Plus Center.



Inter-Lakes Day Care Center is open on a year-round basis at two sites from 6:30 AM to 5:30 PM, making it possible for parents to maintain employment. The Center offers a full range of services including morning preschool programs, full and part-time child care, summer and vacation enrichment camps, and USDA approved healthy meals and snacks. The professional staff of Certified and Credentialed teachers strives to foster in each child a sense of security, continuity, trust, autonomy, initiative and pride. Through the federal Child Care and Development Block Grant Act and the State of New Hampshire, tuition based on family size and income is available for parents who are employed, in training, pursuing a degree or certificate, on job search or temporarily disabled.

## **LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION**

103 Main Street, Suite #3  
Meredith, NH 03253  
tel (603) 279-8171  
fax (603) 279-0200



### **FOR TOWN ANNUAL REPORTS HOLDERNESS LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION 2010 – 2011 (FY11)**

The Lakes Region continues to grow and evolve. As our economy and world change, so does the work we are engaged in. The Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC) is an organization established according to state law to provide area communities and the region with the capacity to respond to and shape the pressures of change in a purposeful way. With a service area covering over 1,200 square miles in Belknap, Carroll, Grafton and Merrimack Counties, the LRPC provides a wide range of planning services to member municipalities. The Commission offers direct and support services including technical assistance, geographic information systems, transportation planning, land use, environmental planning, hazard planning and economic development. Local, state, and federal resources primarily fund the LRPC. We also maintain a regular dialogue with state agencies as a resource for the entire Lakes Region. Our overall goal is to provide support, knowledge, and leadership to the governments, businesses, and citizens of the Lakes Region.

Some of the services provided in the past fiscal year are as follows:

LOCAL SERVICES  
EDUCATION  
REGIONAL SERVICES  
HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
TRANSPORTATION

For extensive information for local officials and the general public, please visit our website at [www.lakesrpc.org](http://www.lakesrpc.org).

## **LRPC HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE**

---

The 2011 Lakes Region Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collections were conducted in a safe and efficient manner on July 30, 2011 and August 6, 2011 at eight different locations. The event was coordinated by the Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC). 1,690 households participated in this annual collection; overall this represents 4.5% of the households in the twenty-four Lakes Region communities that participated in this year's HHW Collection. The percentage of households participating from individual communities ranged from less than 2% to more than 13%.

Nearly 17,000 gallons of HHW and more than 40,000 feet of fluorescent bulbs as well as more than 2,000 compact fluorescent bulbs (CFLs) were disposed of properly. Oil-based paint products continue to comprise more than half our costs of disposal. Residents are encouraged to use latex paint when possible, for it is not considered a hazardous material in New Hampshire and any residue can be dried out and disposed of in the household trash.

One third of those attending this year's collections had never attended an HHW collection in New Hampshire. Many volunteers and municipal staff assisted in publicizing and staffing the collection sites; their efforts are greatly appreciated. This year we distributed 1,500 handy Flipbooks with tips and recipes for Alternatives to Household Hazardous Waste.

The estimated cost for this collection which helps protect our region's water quality was \$2.13 per Lakes Region household. The appropriation for each community participating in the 2012 collection will remain the same as this past year. The next Household Hazardous Waste Collections will be held July 28, 2012 and August 4, 2012. All residents and property owners in participating communities are encouraged to take this opportunity to safely dispose of your household hazardous products. For more information, check with your local coordinator or LRPC ([http://www.lakesrpc.org/services\\_hhw.asp](http://www.lakesrpc.org/services_hhw.asp)) for details.

## **MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE**

The annual Memorial Day Service took place on Monday, May 30, 2011 at 11AM. The Service took place in front of the Holderness Honor Roll Monument on the Library grounds. Executive Councilor Raymond Burton welcomed the community and reminded all of the service and sacrifice given by those who serve our country protecting our freedoms.

Then the Dupuis-Cross Post 15 American Legion honored veterans in a solemn and respectful ceremony which opened with the Ladies Auxiliary recitation of "Flanders Fields". The Commander led the event and the Chaplain offered a prayer for all veterans before the Sergeant-at-Arms placed the memorial wreath on the Monument. The gun salute and final bugle rendition of taps was moving.



The Holderness Central School band played Procession of the Heroes and Midnight Sky and the chorus led the community in singing America the Beautiful and Star Spangled Banner.

The event was respectful and ceremonious, and many people from our community took part in honoring our service members. Following the Memorial Day remembrance, the Holderness Library held their annual Book & Bake Sale which is always a nice social event.

The Holderness Central School 4<sup>th</sup> grade class was once again responsible for planting the red, white and blue flowers around the Monument continuing this annual tradition to help the students appreciate Memorial Day and contribute to the event through this service.

**Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, is a day of remembrance for those who have died in our nation's service.**



Northeast Resource Recovery Association,  
2101 Dover Road, Epsom, NH 03234 Ph: (603)  
736-4401 or 1-800-223-0150 Fax: (603) 736-4402  
E-mail: [info@nrra.net](mailto:info@nrra.net) Web Site: [www.nrra.net](http://www.nrra.net)

As a member of Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA), your community has access to all the services of this first in the nation, 31-year old recycling cooperative. Your member-driven organization provides you with:

- Up-to-date **Technical Assistance** in waste reduction and recycling;
- **Cooperative Marketing** to maximize pricing and **Cooperative Purchasing** to minimize costs;
- Current **Market Conditions** and Latest **Recycling Trends, both regionally and nationwide**;
- **Innovative Programs** (i.e. Dual Stream, Consolidation and Single Stream);
- **Educational and Networking Opportunities** through our Annual Recycling Conference, our new Bi-weekly “Full of Scrap” email news, monthly Marketing meetings, website, and Fall Facility Tours;
- **School Recycling Club** - a program to assist schools to promote or advance their recycling efforts;
- **NH DES Continuing Ed Credits**;
- **NH the Beautiful Signs, Grants, Bins and Recyclemobiles.**

The membership has grown to include more than 400 municipalities, businesses and individuals in NH, VT, MA, CT and ME. NRRA, as a non-profit organization, is unique in that we do not charge a “brokerage fee” or work to maximize profit gains, but rather has a minimal “Co-op” Fee” which is re-invested into programs to further your recycling programs and solid waste reduction efforts in schools and municipalities.

Through your continued support and dedication, NRRA has assisted our members to recycle over 73,648 tons in fiscal year 2010-2011! Please visit our website at [www.nrra.net](http://www.nrra.net)

# **PEMI-BAKER COMMUNITY HEALTH**

Pemi-Baker Community Health, formally known as Pemi-Baker Home Health & Hospice continues to provide quality home health care, end-of life home hospice care, physical and occupational therapy, and preventive wellness and fitness opportunities, in the home and at its facility at Boulder Point in Plymouth.

Over this past year, our leaders have focused on reviewing and implementing a newly defined mission to improve the health and well being of the community by providing excellence in health care services through outreach, in-home and facility-based programming.

- **Pemi-Baker Home Health**-At home care for patient's discharged from the hospital after surgery, illness, or injury or those with new or exacerbations for chronic illnesses. Many medical services that were once only available in a hospital or rehabilitation facility are now safely and effectively administered by expert staff in the home setting.
- **Pemi-Baker Hospice**- Choosing hospice doesn't mean choosing death, it means choosing to live life to the fullest. It is a unique and special philosophy of care designed to provide comfort and support for those facing life-limiting illness that no longer responds to cure-oriented treatment.
- **Pemi-Baker Rehab Therapies**- The Physical & Occupational Therapists work to reduce physical limitations and to teach exercises that help in the recovery from surgery or injury.
- **Pemi-Baker Aquatic & Fitness**-Memberships to aquatic exercise programs and use of the pool and exercise equipment with skilled staff to reach individualized goals.

Aquatic Therapy in our 90 degree pool is unique to Pemi-Baker Rehab Therapies and allows you to strengthen more quickly with less impact on your body following an injury or surgery. The physical properties of water assist with increasing energy, strength, and flexibility while releasing stress and tension.

Unless you have had the opportunity to utilize our services, you may not have heard about this best kept secret so we invite you to reach out for more information and to visit with us. We are known to be friendly and we are in the helping business. In the coming year, we endeavor to partner with other area organizations whose mission we share. We always welcome ideas and suggestions and are grateful for the support from our community members and the towns we serve.

Respectfully,  
Chandra Engelbert, RN, BSN, MBA

## **PEMIGEWASSET RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

2011 saw many changes in the way the New Hampshire has chosen to manage the water resources of the state. Both lakes and rivers are affected. Some background; sixty percent of the water quality impairments in NH are caused by storm water runoff which brings with it pathogens, pesticides, algae producing nutrients. In 2008, revisions to the Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act RSA 483B, which were designed to mitigate these threats, were approved by the legislature. These changes were the result of a year-long effort by a Water Quality Study Commission whose membership represented a wide range of interests. The commission reviewed the threats to water quality and received extensive input from its members as well as specific recommendations by the scientific community.

Unfortunately key elements of the revised CSPA (renamed the Shoreland Water Quality Protection Act or SWQPA) were significantly weakened in the 2011 session of the legislature. The minimum requirements for shoreland buffers, which are the last, best filter of runoff before it reaches our lakes and rivers, have been reduced by 50%. CSPA has been further weakened by redefinition of what is considered “unaltered” vegetation and major concessions have been made on how much of our shoreland can be made impervious. These changes will in time show up in deteriorating water quality. In addition, two key positions were lost in the NH Department of Environmental Services. Those two positions kept hundreds of volunteers like us supplied, motivated, and actively engaged in NH’s water resource protection. We have yet to determine how these changes will impact what we do. All lake associations and advisory committees such as PRLAC will be looking at ways we can maintain the effectiveness of our volunteer effort.

Our mission is to do those things necessary to maintain the Pemi’s Class B water quality status and preserve those characteristics identified as critical to the resource. Our ongoing tasks continue to include water quality testing at nine sites from April to mid-September – on site permit application reviews – and outreach programs where appropriate.

You can use our website <http://www.lakesrpc.org/PRLAC/> to follow our progress and stay up to date on PRLAC’s activities.

PRLAC continues to enjoy financial support from 90% of the Pemi Corridor towns – Thornton to Hill that we work with. Thank you for your continued support.

Max Stamp  
PRLAC Chair

## SQUAM LAKES CONSERVATION SOCIETY

---

The Squam Lakes Conservation Society (SLCS) is a land trust dedicated to the protection of Squam's natural resources. We achieve the permanent protection of land by seeking, holding, and monitoring conservation easements and through land ownership. Our activities are accomplished in cooperation with the Holderness Conservation Commission, other conservation organizations, government agencies, businesses, residents, landowners, and members.

SLCS is one of New Hampshire's oldest land trusts. Founded in 1960, the first parcel protected was a gift of land by Frank Webster to create the Holderness Town Beach for the specific benefit of Holderness residents. SLCS currently has a stake in the protection of 38 Holderness properties covering over 3,896 acres. Here are some of the highlights from 2011:

- SLCS completed nine conservation easements in Holderness protecting 296 acres on the Squam Range and White Oak Pond.
- Worked with the Holderness Conservation Commission on Conservation prioritization.
- Held stewardship training workshops for Squam watershed towns.
- Holderness resident Betsy Whitmore guided us through the application process to become accredited through the Land Trust Alliance Accreditation.
- SLCS ended the year protecting 102 properties and 6,917 acres of land, contributing significantly to the 25% of land protected in Squam watershed, more than any other large-lake watershed in New England.

As "Squam's Land Trust," we are stewards of one of New Hampshire's most pristine and breathtaking natural resources. We rely totally on volunteers to monitor each protected property, and will gladly provide training. Please contact us with any questions about volunteering or conserving your land. Our website is [www.squamlakes.com](http://www.squamlakes.com), or call Alicia Abbott or Roger Larochele at 968-7900.

## SQUAM LAKES NATURAL SCIENCE CENTER

In 2011, a New Hampshire Geology Exhibit opened, Blue Heron School completed its first year (New Hampshire's only nature preschool), and the prestigious Association of Zoos and Aquariums accreditation was retained. A visiting exhibition called *Seasons of Change: Global Warming in Your Backyard* was open to visitors all summer. Public Service Company of New Hampshire and the Jane B. Cook 1983 Charitable Trust funded a new research and education project to track the international migrations of Ospreys nesting in New Hampshire. A new Science Center YouTube channel shared videos of events, exhibits, programs, and testimonials. For Holderness' 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary weekend, the Science Center gave free trail admission to Holderness residents and presented a free Steve Schuch concert in Kirkwood Gardens as part of the celebration.



Major facility work included new roofs at the Mountain Lion and Life Underground Exhibits, new classroom carpet, security alarm upgrades, security video surveillance installation, Ecotone Mammal and Bobcat Exhibits animal shift improvements, and Deer and Raptor Exhibits renovations

2011 was also a challenging year. Trail attendance numbers and revenues decreased after a banner year in 2010. School group attendance continued declining, but the addition of new distance learning programs addressed some of the changing educational needs of schools.

Squam Lakes Natural Science Center continues to open a window to the natural world for thousands of visitors from across the state and region and looks forward to its 46<sup>th</sup> year in Holderness.

## **REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER**

---

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands, work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 603-271-1370 or [www.des.state.nh.us](http://www.des.state.nh.us) for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at [www.nhdfl.org](http://www.nhdfl.org).

Both in terms of the number of fires, as well as the number of acres burned, this past fire season was the smallest since records have been kept. Extensive rainfall virtually all season long kept the fire danger down. When fires did start they were kept very small. The largest fire for the season was only 5.4 acres which occurred in Littleton on May 2nd 2011. There was however a small window of high fire danger in the northern third of the state during July when little rainfall was recorded. During this time there were a number of lightning started fires which are fairly unusual in New Hampshire. As has been the case over the last few years, state budget constraints have limited the staffing of our statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers to Class III or higher fire danger days. Despite the reduction in the number of days staffed, our fire lookouts are credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire spotting was supplemented by contracted aircraft and the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2011 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to

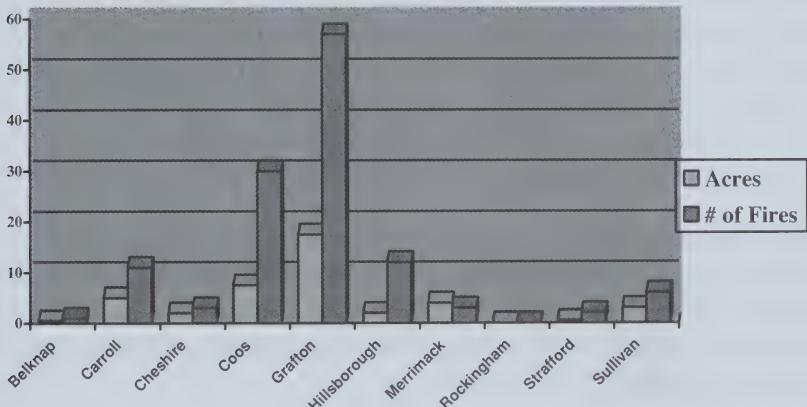
their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at [www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org). Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

## 2011 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 2011)

(figures do not include fires under the jurisdiction of the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	.5	1
Carroll	5	11
Cheshire	2	3
Coos	7.5	30
Grafton	17.5	57
Hillsborough	2	12
Merrimack	4	3
Rockingham	0	0
Strafford	.5	2
Sullivan	3	6



CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED	Total	Fires	Total
<b>Acres</b>			
Arson	7	2011	125
Debris	63	2010	360
Campfire	10	2009	334
Children	2	2008	455
Smoking	9	2007	437
Railroad	1		
Equipment	1		
Lightning	3		
Misc.*	29	(*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)	

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE



University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension's mission is to provide New Hampshire citizens with research-based education and information to enhance their ability to make informed decisions that strengthen youth, families and communities, sustain natural resources, and improve the economy.

Five full-time educators are based out of our North Haverhill office: Heather Bryant, Dave Falkenham, Kathleen Jablonski, Michal Lunak and Deborah Maes are supported by Rebecca Colpitts and Administrative Assistants Kristina Vaughan, Teresa Locke and Donna Lee. Lisa Ford, Program Associate, is located at the Whole Village Family Resource Center in Plymouth.

Trained volunteers support our programs in agriculture, forestry and youth development. Another group of volunteers serves on the Grafton County Extension Advisory Council and provide support and direction for our programs. Check out our Grafton County website to see a current list of members  
<http://extension.unh.edu/Counties/Grafton/Grafton.htm>.

Our Family & Consumer Resources program has offered over 150 foods safety classes since 2,000 targeting food service workers. Over 1,000 food service workers have attended locally taught national certification classes in food safety. Eighty-eight percent have received certification.

Our office uses social media as well as weekly news columns, resource notebooks at local public libraries and an electronic calendar to reach a larger county audience. Find us on Facebook under UNH Cooperative Extension—Grafton County.

Respectfully submitted: Deborah B Maes  
Extension Educator, Family & Consumer Resources  
County Office Administrator



## NOTES

## **HOW TO CONTACT YOUR CONGRESSMEN**

---

### **U.S. Senator Kelly Ayotte**

144 Russell Senate Office Bldg  
Washington, D.C. 20510  
Phone: (202) 224-3324  
Fax: (202) 224-4952  
NH Office: 1200 Elm Street, Unit 2  
Manchester, NH 03101  
Phone: (603) 622-7979

### **U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen**

520 Hart SOB  
Washington, D.C. 20510-2904  
Phone: (202) 224-2841  
Fax: (202) 228-3194  
NH Office: 1589 Elm Street, Suite 3  
Manchester, NH 03101  
Phone: (603) 647-7500

### **U.S. Representative Frank Guinta**

1223 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515  
Phone: 202-225-5456  
Fax: 202-225-5822  
NH Office: 33 Lowell Street  
Manchester, NH 03101  
Phone: (603) 641-9536

### **U.S. Representative Charles Bass**

2350 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515  
Phone: (202) 225-5206  
NH Office: 114 North Main St, Suite 200  
Concord, NH 03301  
Phone: (603) 226-0064  
Fax: (603) 226-0085

## **Or Your State Representatives**

### **Office of the Governor**

John H. Lynch  
State House  
107 North Main Street  
Concord, NH 03301-4951  
Phone: (603) 271-2121  
Fax: (603) 271-7640

### **State Senator District 2**

Jeanie Forrester  
State House Room 105-A  
107 N. Main Street  
Concord, NH 03301-4951  
Phone: (603) 271-2104

## **House of Representatives District 8**

Harold Reilly  
1684 Ragged Mnt Hwy  
Hill, NH 03243-6871

Jeffrey Shackett  
85 Ten Mile Brook Rd  
Bristol, NH 03222-3069

Paul Simard  
91 Beech Street  
Bristol, NH 03222-3069

For more information on the New Hampshire General Court

[www.gencourt.state.nh.us](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us)

**TOWN OF HOLDERNESS**  
**1089 US RT 3, PO BOX 203**  
**HOLDERNESS, NH 03245-0203**  
**www.holderness-nh.gov**

Administrator's Office - Town Hall – 1089 US RT 3	968-2145
Selectmen's Office - Town Hall – 1089 US RT 3	968-3537
Monday to Friday - 8:30 AM to 4:30P M	
<i>Open during lunch</i>	
Fax:	968-9954
E-mail: Holderness@roadrunner.com	
Compliance/Health Officer – Town Hall – 1089 US RT 3 (Building Permits/Septic Permits)	968-2145
Wednesday – 8:30 PM to 4:00 PM	

Town Clerk/Tax Collector - Town Hall – 1089 US RT 3	968-7536
Monday to Friday - 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM	
<i>Open during lunch</i>	

**PERMITS TO THE TRANSFER STATION & BEACH ARE AVAILABLE  
THROUGH THE TOWN CLERK**

Transfer Station – 65 Tada Dump Road	279-6336
Monday - Wednesday - Friday – Saturday: 8:00AM to 4:00PM	
Tuesday & Thursday: CLOSED	
Sunday - 1:00PM - 4:00PM	

Recreation Department - Town Hall – 1089 US RT 3	968-3700
E-mail – holdrec@roadrunner.com	
Hours varied per season	

Holderness Library – 866 US RT 3	968-7066
----------------------------------	----------

Public Works Garage – 62 Beede Road	536-2932
-------------------------------------	----------

Police Department – 926 US RT 3 (non-emergency)	968-9555
Fax	968-3333

Fire Department – 922 US RT 3 (non-emergency)	968-4491
Volunteer Department	

POLICE EMERGENCY CALL 911 or 536-1626 (Police Dispatch)  
FIRE/MEDICAL EMERGENCY CALL 911 or 524-1545 (Fire Dispatch)